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OF THE

## FOURTEENTH SESSION

OF THE

# British Columbia Annual Conference

OF

## THE METHODIST CHURCH

HELD IN THE QUEEN'S AVENUE METHODIST CHURCH, IN THE CITY OF NEW WESTMINSTER, B.C., FROM THURSDAY, MAY 10TH TO WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 16TH, 1900.

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## 1900.

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# THE
# BRITISH COLUMBIA CONFERENCE
# OF
# THE METHODIST CHURCH

WAS ORGANIZED IN WESLEY CHURCH, VICTORIA, B.C., ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 11TH, 1887.

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## SESSIONS OF CONFERENCE.

| No. | Year | Place. | President. | Secretary. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 1887 | Victoria ..... | Ebenezer Robson ..... | Joseph Hall. |
| 2 | 1888 | New Westminster | Ebenezer Robson ..... | Joseph Hall. |
| 3 | 1889 | Victoria ..... | Joseph Hall ..... | Cornelius Bryant. |
| 4 | 1890 | Vancouver ..... | Cornelius Bryant ..... | James H. White. |
| 5 | 1891 | Victoria ..... | John F. Betts ..... | James H. White. |
| 6 | 1892 | Nanaimo ..... | James H. White ..... | Charles M. Tate. |
| 7 | 1893 | New Westminster | Joseph Hall ..... | Robt. R. Maitland. |
| 8 | 1894 | Vancouver ..... | Thomas W. Hall ..... | Walter W. Baer. |
| 9 | 1895 | Victoria ..... | Solomon Cleaver ..... | John P. Bowell. |
| 10 | 1896 | New Westminster | Charles Ladner ..... | John P. Bowell. |
| 11 | 1897 | Vancouver ..... | Thomas Crosby ..... | John P. Bowell. |
| 12 | 1898 | Victoria ..... | John F. Betts ..... | John P. Bowell. |
| 13 | 1899 | Nanaimo ..... | R. Whittington, M.A., B.Sc. | John P. Bowell. |
| 14 | 1900 | New Westminster | R. Whittington, M.A., B.Sc. | W. H. Barraclough, B.A. |

# MINUTES OF THE BRITISH COLUMBIA CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH.

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The fourteenth session of the British Columbia Annual Conference of the Methodist Church convened in the Queen's Avenue Church, New Westminster, on Thursday morning, May 10th, 1900, at 9.30 o'clock, the Rev. Robert Whittington, M.A., B.Sc., President of the Conference, in the chair. Hymn 753 was sung. Rev. John P. Bowell, the Secretary, read Isaiah lxii, and Rev. J. C. Speer led in prayer. The Conference prayer-meeting, which followed, was conducted by Rev. J. C. Speer, by the request of Conference.

At 10.30 a.m. the roll of Conference was called, when forty-eight ministers and twenty-two laymen answered to their names.

Rev. Robert Whittington, M.A., B.Sc., was re-elected President, and Rev. Wm. H. Barraclough, B.A., was elected Secretary.

On nomination of the Secretary, Revs. A. N. Miller and John Robson, B.A., were appointed Assistant Secretaries; Rev. G. H. Osborne, Journal Secretary, and Rev. C. M. Tate was elected Statistical Secretary.

## THE LAY MEMBERS OF CONFERENCE.

VICTORIA DISTRICT.—M. Baker, N. Shakespeare, S. M. Okell, D. Spencer, T. Shenton, E. R. Nangle, G. A. Horal, S. Gough, T. Bryant, J. Haggart, W. Manson, jun., E. A. Lewis.

VANCOUVER DISTRICT.—J. Tuttle, G. P. Hicks, R. W. Harris, J. Wells, G. Kyle, R. Williamson, J. W. Galloway, D. Donaldson, G. W. Phipps, W. H. Malkin, T. S. Smith.

WESTMINSTER DISTRICT.—G. R. Ashwell, A. C. Wells, C. G. Major, J. Cunningham, C. S. Keith, T. W. Kerr, W. E. Buckingham, D. McGilvary, C. W. Gillanders.

KAMLOOPS DISTRICT.—T. E. Marshall, J. Savage, A. R. Carrington, C. W. Field, A. J. Palmer, H. L. Lovering, W. Hancock, J. H. Latimer, J. B. Bryson.

KOOTENAY DISTRICT.—B. F. Casselman, R. Neely, F. L. Irwin, C. J. Creamer, C. Bjierkness, G. W. Grimmett, R. C. Andrews, B. F. Petch, H. A. Wilks, W. T. Reed, G. M. Tripp.

SIMPSON DISTRICT.—A. E. Bolton, M.D., D. McKay, A. Peers, J. McTaggart.

BELLA BELLA DISTRICT.—R. J. Walker, E. Nicholas, William Sapass, G. Edgar, W. H. Gibson.

**Report of the Ministerial Session.**

The Ministerial Session was held in the Queen's Avenue Church, New Westminster, beginning on Wednesday, May 9th, 1900, at 9.40 a.m.

The President, Rev. Robt. Whittington, M.A., B.Sc., assisted by the Secretary, Rev. J. P. Bowell, and Revs. J. F. Betts and J. A. Wood, conducted the opening devotional exercises.

The roll was called, and thirty-two ministers answered to their names.

The following transfers were reported:

*Into British Columbia Conference*—

From New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Conference, B. Hedley Balderston, B.A.; from Manitoba and North-West Conference, A. E. Roberts; from Bay of Quinte Conference, R. F. Stillman; from London Conference, J. P. Westman; from Toronto Conference, E. S. Rowe; from Nova Scotia Conference, Wm. C. Schlichter; from Newfoundland Conference, John Pye.

*Out of British Columbia Conference*—

Into Toronto Conference, J. C. Speer.

The following were appointed the Committee on Conference Relations:

C. Ladner, S. J. Thompson, J. A. Wood, Jos. Hall, J. F. Betts, A. E. Green, J. H. White.

PROPPED IN SILENCE FOR IRREGULAR WITHDRAWAL FROM OUR WORK.

Wm. E. MOODY.

PROBATIONERS RECEIVED INTO FULL CONNECTION AND ORDAINED.

Wm. C. Schlichter, *Geo. E. Smith.

* Ordained last year by arrangement with Hamilton Conference.

ORDAINED FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES.

George K. Bradshaw.

ORDAINED NATIVE INDIAN MISSIONARY.

George Edgar.

PROBATIONERS FOR THE MINISTRY ON TRIAL.

(*a*) *Probationers of four years.*

George E. Cropp.

(*b*) *Probationers of two years.*

D. W. Scott, Robt. Hughes, C. W. Nelson.

(*c*) *Probationers of one year.*

W. G. Tanner, W. G. Mahon, G. K. Bradshaw, R. W. Large, M.D.

(*d*) *Candidates for the Ministry received.*

R. Hughes and G. K. Bradshaw were received and advanced as their examinations required.

CANDIDATE AS A NATIVE INDIAN MISSIONARY.

Patrick Russ.

### Chairmen are Permitted to Employ with a View to their Entering the Ministry.

Alfred Seymour, Alfred E. Stephenson, Charles Whittaker, T. W. Hunter.

### Recommended to be Sent to College.

D. W. Scott.

### Report of Committee on Conference Relations.

Recommended that James Turner, J. E. Gardiner, B.A., and Ebenezer Robson be superannuated for one year. Recommended that Wm. D. Misener be restored to the active work.

### The Following are the Superannuated Ministers.

Cornelius Bryant, Thos. D. Pearson, John E. Gardiner, B.A., James Turner, Ebenezer Robson.

### The Supernumerary Ministers.

Joseph E. Rosoman, David D. Birks.

### Committee on Pastoral Address for 1901.

S. J. Thompson and G. H. Morden.

### Committee *re* Rev. J. P. Bowell.

The members of the Conference Special Committee resident in Vancouver and New Westminster.

Report of the Conference Special Committee was read for information.

## CONFERENCE STANDING COMMITTEES.

### Missionary Committee.

The Chairmen of Districts and the following laymen :

| *Districts.* | *Laymen.* | *Alternates.* |
|---|---|---|
| Victoria | D. Spencer | S. Gough. |
| Vancouver | Jas. Tuttle | G. P. Hicks. |
| Westminster | A. C. Wells | T. R. Pearson. |
| Kamloops | A. G. Taylor | A. B. Carrington. |
| Kootenay | B. F. Casselman | F. L. Irwin. |
| Simpson | A. E. Bolton | C. M. Richards. |
| Bella Bella | R. W. Harris | W. H. Gibson. |

### Conference Special Committee.

The President and Secretary of Conference, the Chairmen of Districts and Revs. E. E. Scott, J. F. Betts, J. P. Bowell, A. N. Miller and C. H. M. Sutherland.

### The Board of Examiners.

(See Report of Board.)

### Programme Committee for 1901.

The President of Conference and Revs. J. A. Wood and J. H. White.

### Minister to the General Board of Missions.

Robt. Whittington, M.A., B.Sc.

### Representative to the Ecumenical Conference of 1901.

David Spencer, Esq., Victoria.

### Conference Reporter for "Guardian."

Rev. A. E. Roberts, New Denver.

### Standing Committee on Memorials.

Messrs. Thomas Bryant and Walter Morris, Revs. W. H. Barraclough, B.A., and J. P. Hicks.

### Committee on Deaconess Work.

Rev. Ebenezer Robson.

### Committee Appointed to Secure Information Concerning the Encroachments of the Salvation Army on our Indian Mission Work.

Revs. R. Whittington, M.A., B.Sc, S. S. Osterhout, Ph.D., W. L. Hall, D. Jennings, T. Crosby, R. W. Large, M.D., and A. E. Bolton, M.D.

### Forward Evangelistic Movement and Railway Passes.

The Chairmen of Districts.

### Church and Parsonage Aid.

*Ministers*—Charles Ladner, S. J. Thompson, J. A. Wood, J. W. Winslow.

*Laymen*—S. Gough, C. G. Major, T. Marshall and D. Spencer.

### Conference Treasurers for Connexional Funds.

| *Funds.* | *Treasurers.* | *Addresses.* |
|---|---|---|
| General Conference | A. E. Green | Vancouver. |
| Contingent | W. H. Barraclough | Victoria. |
| Union Church Relief | S. J. Thompson | Revelstoke. |
| Superannuation | Jos. Hall | Sardis. |
| Sustentation | C. Ladner | Kamloops. |
| Educational | Jas. Calvert | Nanaimo. |
| Sabbath School Aid | E. Manuel | Ladner. |
| Epworth League | R. Wilkinson | Mission City. |
| Missionary | Chairmen of Districts. | |
| Temperance | S. J. Thompson | Revelstoke. |

### Special Funds.

Parsonage Aid—Chas. Ladner, Kamloops.

Sandon Relief—A. M. Sanford, B.A., Sandon.

### What new Districts, Circuits or Missions have been Formed?

*Districts.*—The Simpson and Bella Bella Districts have been combined, to be known as the Indian District.

*Circuits.*—Mount Sicker and Lumber Camps, in the Victoria District.

*Missions.*—Van Anda, in Vancouver District; Ainsworth, Phœnix and Michel, in the Kootenay District.

### The Names of Following Missions were Changed.

Howe Sound to Vancouver (Fairview).
Fairview (Kamloops District) to Princeton.
Cascade City (Kootenay District) to Phœnix.
Cranbrook and Fort Steele to Cranbrook.
Cloverdale to be attached to Langley, to be called Cloverdale and Langley.

### The Next Conference.

In the Methodist Church, Nelson, to begin at 9.30 a.m. on the second Thursday in May, 1901

### What Cases are Referred to the General Board of Missions?

The medical expenses of Rev. Robert B. Laidley, of Ashcroft, and of Rev. John E. Gardiner, B.A., stationed last year at Lillooet.

## I. VICTORIA DISTRICT.

| | NAMES OF CIRCUITS AND MISSIONS WITH NAME OF PASTOR IN CHARGE. | Victoria (Metropolitan). J. C. Speer. | Victoria (Centennial). W. H. Barraclough. | Victoria (West). J. D. P. Knox. | Victoria (Chinese). Chan Sing Kai. | Victoria (James Bay). R. H. Hughes. | Saanich. J. W. Winslow. | Cowichan. G. H. Osborne. | Salt Spring Island. D. W. Scott. | Nanaimo (Wallace Street). T. W. Hall. | Nanaimo (Haliburton St.). W. W. Baer. | Wellington. C. H. M. Sutherland. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| MEMBERSHIP. | In Full Membership | 372 | 131 | 64 | 39 | 55 | 39 | 62 | 16 | 148 | 66 | 47 |
| | On Trial | .... | 24 | .... | 4 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 45 | 20 | .... |
| | Total Membership | 372 | 155 | 64 | 43 | 56 | 44 | 66 | 20 | 193 | 86 | 47 |
| | Number published last year | 422 | 151 | 60 | 42 | .... | 35 | 87 | .... | 157 | 67 | 67 |
| | Increase | .... | 4 | 4 | 1 | 56 | 9 | .... | 20 | 36 | 19 | .... |
| | Decrease | 50 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 21 | .... | .... | .... | 20 |
| | Catechumens | 40 | 15 | 4 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 19 | .... | .... |
| | Infant Baptisms | 37 | 4 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 2 | 26 | 17 | 5 |
| | Adult Baptisms | 7 | 1 | .... | 1 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 2 | .... | .... |
| | Total Baptisms | 44 | 5 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 2 | 28 | 17 | 5 |
| | Marriages solemnized | 35 | 13 | 5 | 1 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 8 | 8 | 1 |
| | Burials attended | 12 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 15 | 11 | 1 |
| CONNEXIONAL FUNDS. | Missionary | $144 | $136 | $16 | .... | $108 | $31 | $23 | $15 | $171 | $35 | $105 |
| | Sup. or Supernumerary | 135 | 62 | 28 | .... | 24 | 10 | 7 | 5 | 61 | 34 | 54 |
| | Educational | 8 | 6 | 1 | .... | 2 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 1 |
| | Contingent | 21 | 5 | 1 | .... | 1 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 1 |
| | General Conference | 14 | 7 | 3 | .... | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 4 | 6 |
| | Union Church Relief | 3 | 2 | 1 | .... | 1 | 2 | .... | 1 | 3 | .... | 1 |
| | S. S. Aid and Extension | 10 | 2 | 1 | .... | 1 | 1 | 2 | .... | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| | Funds Ass'ble for Sup M. F. | 335 | 220 | 51 | .... | 141 | 58 | 37 | 25 | 254 | 78 | 169 |
| | Sustentation | $17 | $11 | $1 | .... | $2 | $5 | $2 | $1 | $5 | $5 | $1 |
| | Columbian Methodist College | .... | 140 | .... | .... | .... | 25 | .... | 1 | .... | 25 | 125 |
| | Children's | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | Temperance | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | Woman's Missionary | 148 | 60 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | General Epworth League | 5 | 1 | .... | .... | 1 | .... | .... | .... | 6 | 2 | .... |
| | Total Connexional Funds | 505 | 432 | 52 | .... | 144 | 88 | 39 | 27 | 265 | 110 | 295 |
| CIRCUIT PURPOSES. | Circuit Incidentals | $10 | $2 | .... | .... | .... | $1 | $4 | .... | $2 | $3 | $2 |
| | House Rent | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 36 | 96 | .... | .... | 107 | .... |
| | Horse Keep or Hire | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 75 | 150 | $75 | .... | .... | .... |
| | Removal Expenses | .... | .... | .... | .... | $26 | .... | 28 | .... | .... | 11 | .... |
| | Travelling Expenses | .... | 5 | .... | .... | .... | 10 | .... | 18 | .... | .... | .... |
| | Sunday Schools | 1494 | 296 | $210 | $22 | 100 | 45 | 67 | 20 | 236 | 221 | 366 |
| | Epworth Leagues, etc. | 150 | 64 | 45 | .... | .... | 8 | .... | .... | 129 | 20 | .... |
| | Ladies' Aid | 350 | 311 | 262 | .... | 194 | 2 | 148 | .... | 515 | 218 | 54 |
| | Trustee Boards | 8949 | 1521 | 345 | 96 | 1000 | 258 | 397 | 150 | 2013 | 377 | 1130 |
| | All other Purposes | 100 | 100 | .... | 179 | .... | 104 | 66 | .... | 210 | 172 | 215 |
| | Total | 1053 | 2359 | 862 | 297 | 1329 | 539 | 956 | 263 | 3105 | 1129 | 1767 |
| MINISTERIAL SUPPORT. Paid to Superintendent. | By Circuit | $2000 | $1000 | $500 | .... | $500 | $218 | $81 | $175 | $1000 | $800 | $750 |
| | " Sustentation Fund | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | " Contingent Fund | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | " Children's Fund | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | " Miss. Fund—Salary | .... | .... | .... | $600 | .... | 393 | 420 | 100 | .... | .... | .... |
| | " " " Rent | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | " " " Removal | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | Total Received | 2000 | 1000 | 500 | 600 | 500 | 611 | 501 | 275 | 1000 | 800 | 750 |
| | Net Deficiency | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 139 | 149 | 75 | .... | .... | .... |
| Paid to Colleagues. | By Circuit | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 50 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | " Sustentation Fund | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | " Contingent Fund | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | " Missionary Fund | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 180 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | Total Received | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 230 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | Net Deficiency | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 70 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Total Assessable for Sup. M. Fund. | | $2335 | $1220 | $557 | .... | $641 | $276 | $138 | $200 | $1254 | $878 | $919 |
| Total Raised for all Purposes | | 13558 | 3791 | 1414 | $297 | 1973 | 845 | 1126 | 465 | 4370 | 2139 | 2812 |
| New Churches | | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| " " Value | | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| New Parsonages | | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| " " Value | | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |

| | | II. VANCOUVER DISTRICT. | | | | | | | | | | III. WESTMINSTER. | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cumberland. Wm. Hicks. | TOTAL. | Vancouver (Homer Street). E. E. Scott. | Princess Street. R. Whittington. | Mount Pleasant. Alfred E. Green. | Chinese Mission. Supply. | Japanese Mission. Goro Kaburagi. | Richmond. Arthur N. Miller. | Maple Ridge. Allen K. Sharp.* | Mission City. Robert Wilkinson. | Agassiz. Aykroyd Stoney. | TOTAL. | New Westminster (Central). J. F. Betts. | New Westminster (West End). J. P. Bowell. | Sapperton. (Supply). | New Westminster. (Chinese). |
| 48 | 1087 | 474 | 169 | 149 | 28 | 153 | 47 | 19 | 44 | 21 | 1104 | 188 | 43 | 36 | 4 |
| 1 | 109 | .... | 4 | 20 | .... | 19 | 1 | 9 | .... | .... | 53 | 1 | 4 | 8 | 6 |
| 49 | 1195 | 474 | 173 | 169 | 28 | 172 | 48 | 28 | 44 | 21 | 1157 | 189 | 47 | 44 | 10 |
| 62 | 1150 | 324 | 144 | 154 | 27 | 115 | 59 | 21 | 47 | 29 | 920 | 177 | 55 | 45 | 7 |
| .... | 149 | 150 | 28 | 15 | 1 | 57 | .... | 8 | .... | .... | 259 | 12 | .... | .... | 3 |
| 13 | 104 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 11 | .... | 3 | 8 | 22 | .... | 8 | 1 | .... |
| .... | 78 | 29 | .... | 14 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 43 | .... | 3 | 1 | .... |
| 3 | 114 | 9 | 9 | 14 | .... | .... | 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 42 | 20 | 7 | 4 | .... |
| .... | 11 | 7 | 1 | .... | 1 | 38 | .... | 1 | .... | .... | 48 | 4 | .... | .... | 6 |
| 3 | 125 | 16 | 10 | 14 | 1 | 38 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 90 | 24 | 7 | 4 | 6 |
| 2 | 73 | 39 | 19 | 10 | .... | 3 | 5 | .... | 6 | .... | 82 | 13 | 1 | 1 | .... |
| 1 | 66 | 19 | 6 | 16 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 4 | .... | 55 | 12 | 2 | .... | 1 |
| $14 | $798 | $285 | $62 | $122 | $45 | $65 | $152 | $44 | $26 | $13 | $814 | $231 | $35 | $17 | $32 |
| 24 | 444 | 100 | 56 | 28 | .... | .... | 27 | 9 | 8 | 6 | 234 | 80 | 18 | 14 | .... |
| 3 | 37 | 29 | 5 | 1 | .... | .... | 8 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 46 | 31 | 1 | 1 | .... |
| 1 | 45 | 10 | 5 | 2 | .... | .... | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 25 | 11 | 1 | 1 | .... |
| 3 | 52 | 15 | 6 | 4 | .... | .... | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 32 | 9 | 2 | 1 | .... |
| .... | 14 | 5 | .... | 1 | .... | .... | 1 | .... | 1 | .... | 8 | 5 | 1 | 1 | .... |
| 2 | 25 | 10 | 2 | 2 | .... | .... | 2 | 1 | .... | .... | 17 | 8 | 1 | 1 | .... |
| 47 | 1415 | 455 | 136 | 160 | 46 | 65 | 196 | 58 | 38 | 22 | 1176 | 375 | 59 | 33 | 32 |
| $5 | $55 | $100 | $10 | .... | .... | .... | $5 | $2 | $1 | .... | $118 | $36 | $2 | $2 | .... |
| .... | 316 | .... | .... | $25 | .... | .... | .... | 10 | 10 | .... | 45 | 270 | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 1 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | 208 | 202 | 45 | .... | .... | .... | 13 | .... | .... | .... | 260 | 96 | .... | .... | .... |
| 2 | 17 | .... | 2 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 1 | .... | .... | 4 | .... | 1 | 1 | .... |
| 54 | 2011 | 757 | 193 | 185 | $46 | $65 | 216 | 71 | 49 | 22 | 1604 | 777 | 62 | 36 | 32 |
| $1 | $25 | .... | .... | $120 | .... | .... | $2 | .... | $3 | $23 | $28 | $5 | $1 | $1 | .... |
| .... | 239 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 120 | 143 | 47 | 25 | .... |
| .... | 300 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 75 | .... | 50 | .... | 125 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | 65 | $333 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 333 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | 33 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 5 | 21 | 26 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| 106 | 3292 | 490 | $232 | 121 | .... | .... | 52 | $28 | 75 | 39 | 1046 | 590 | 94 | 57 | .... |
| 25 | 441 | 209 | 150 | 61 | .... | .... | 23 | 3 | .... | .... | 446 | 93 | 12 | 13 | .... |
| 33 | 2087 | 519 | 345 | 156 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 75 | .... | 1095 | 275 | 175 | 106 | .... |
| 787 | 17023 | 5800 | 378 | 700 | .... | .... | 402 | 13 | 165 | .... | 7458 | 2500 | 30 | 12 | .... |
| 162 | 1368 | 2465 | 394 | 380 | $370 | $817 | 432 | 11 | 40 | .... | 4900 | 64 | .... | .... | $117 |
| 1114 | 24773 | 9825 | 1499 | 1538 | 370 | 817 | 986 | 55 | 413 | 83 | 15586 | 3679 | 350 | 214 | 117 |
| $400 | $7424 | $1512 | $1000 | $600 | .... | .... | $375 | $175 | $120 | $150 | $3932 | $1230 | $352 | $200 | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| 140 | 1553 | .... | .... | .... | $1078 | $600 | 180 | 355 | 445 | 145 | 2803 | .... | .... | .... | $500 |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 104 | 144 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 248 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 10 | 10 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| 540 | 9077 | 1512 | 1000 | 600 | 1182 | 744 | 555 | 530 | 565 | 295 | 6983 | 1200 | 352 | 200 | 500 |
| 210 | 573 | 138 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 95 | 120 | 85 | 55 | 493 | .... | 48 | .... | .... |
| .... | 50 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | 180 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | 290 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | 70 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| $447 | $8890 | $1967 | $1136 | $760 | $46 | $65 | $571 | $233 | $158 | $172 | $5108 | $1575 | $411 | $233 | $32 |
| 1568 | 34358 | 12094 | 2692 | 2323 | 416 | 882 | 1577 | 301 | 582 | 255 | 21122 | 5647 | 773 | 450 | 149 |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | $1 | .... | .... | $1 |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 11700 | .... | .... | 1500 |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |

III. WESTMINSTER DISTRICT. IV. KAMLOOPS

| | NAMES OF CIRCUITS AND MISSIONS WITH NAME OF PASTOR IN CHARGE. | Ladner's. E. Manuel. | Cloverdale. (Supply.) | Langley. W. Lashley Hall. | Sumas. (Supply.) | Chilliwack. J. H. White. | Cheam. W. G. Mabon. | TOTAL. | Kamloops. C. Ladner. | Kamloops. (Chinese Mission.) | Thompson River. Supplied from Kamloops. | Nicola. Thomas Neville. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| MEMBERSHIP. | In Full Membership | 68 | 33 | 27 | 32 | 125 | 43 | 599 | 48 | .... | .... | 20 |
| | On Trial | 1 | .... | .... | 2 | 21 | 2 | 45 | .... | .... | .... | 2 |
| | Total Membership | 69 | 33 | 27 | 34 | 146 | 45 | 644 | 48 | .... | .... | 22 |
| | Number published last year | 65 | 33 | 41 | 39 | 114 | 38 | 614 | 48 | .... | .... | 22 |
| | Increase | 4 | .... | .... | .... | 32 | 7 | 58 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | Decrease | .... | .... | 14 | 5 | .... | .... | 28 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | Catechumens | .... | .... | .... | .... | 11 | .... | 15 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | Infant Baptisms | 1 | 1 | 2 | .... | 9 | 7 | 51 | 5 | .... | .... | 3 |
| | Adult Baptisms | .... | .... | .... | .... | 3 | 2 | 15 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | Total Baptisms | 1 | 1 | 2 | .... | 12 | 9 | 66 | 5 | .... | .... | 3 |
| | Marriages solemnized | 2 | .... | .... | 2 | 5 | 1 | 25 | 3 | .... | .... | .... |
| | Burials attended | 4 | .... | 3 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 28 | 13 | .... | .... | 3 |
| CONNEXIONAL FUNDS. | Missionary | $12 | $11 | $19 | $5 | $169 | $35 | $566 | $45 | $7 | $2 | $65 |
| | Sup. or Supernumerary | 24 | 7 | 7 | 5 | 45 | 10 | 207 | 37 | .... | 3 | 12 |
| | Educational | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 43 | 1 | .... | .... | .... |
| | Contingent | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 22 | 1 | .... | .... | 1 |
| | General Conference | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 25 | 4 | .... | .... | 1 |
| | Union Church Relief | .... | .... | .... | .... | 2 | .... | 9 | 1 | .... | .... | .... |
| | S. S. Aid and Extension | 1 | .... | 1 | .... | 3 | 2 | 17 | 1 | .... | .... | .... |
| | Funds Ass'ble for Sup M. F. | 42 | 21 | 30 | 13 | 233 | 51 | 889 | 90 | $7 | 5 | 79 |
| | Sustentation | $2 | $2 | $1 | .... | $5 | .... | $50 | $1 | .... | .... | $5 |
| | Columbian Methodist College | .... | .... | .... | .... | 60 | .... | 530 | 50 | .... | .... | .0 |
| | Children's | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | Temperance | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 5 |
| | Woman's Missionary | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 96 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | General Epworth League | .... | .... | .... | $1 | .... | .... | 3 | 1 | .... | .... | .... |
| | Total Connexional Funds | 44 | 23 | 31 | 14 | 298 | $51 | 1368 | 142 | 7 | $5 | $109 |
| CIRCUIT PURPOSES. | Circuit Incidentals | .... | $2 | $4 | .... | $2 | .... | $15 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | House Rent | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 215 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | Horse Keep or Hire | $40 | .... | 60 | .... | 75 | .... | 175 | .... | .... | $50 | $60 |
| | Removal Expenses | .... | .... | 79 | .... | .... | $2 | 81 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | Travelling Expenses | .... | .... | .... | $25 | .... | .... | 25 | .... | .... | .... | 65 |
| | Sunday Schools | 40 | .... | 28 | 3 | 128 | 36 | 976 | $76 | .... | .... | .... |
| | Epworth Leagues, etc | .... | .... | .... | 21 | .... | .... | 139 | 72 | .... | .... | .... |
| | Ladies' Aid | 378 | .... | .... | .... | 284 | .... | 1218 | 310 | .... | .... | .... |
| | Trustee Boards | .... | 54 | 104 | .... | 500 | 30 | 3230 | 731 | .... | .... | 143 |
| | All other Purposes | 150 | .... | 23 | 12 | 257 | 10 | 633 | 23 | .... | .... | 111 |
| | Total | 608 | 56 | 298 | 61 | 1246 | 78 | 6707 | 1212 | .... | 50 | 379 |
| MINISTERIAL SUPPORT. Paid to Superintendent. | By Circuit | $600 | $110 | .... | $87 | $725 | $100 | $3464 | $472 | .... | $30 | $222 |
| | " Sustentation Fund | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | " Contingent Fund | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | " Children's Fund | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | " Miss. Fund—Salary | .... | .... | $440 | .... | .... | 70 | 1010 | .... | $100 | 154 | 385 |
| | " " " Rent | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | " " " Removal | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | Total Received | 600 | 110 | 440 | 87 | 725 | 260 | 4474 | 472 | 100 | 193 | 607 |
| | Net Deficiency | .... | .... | 160 | .... | .... | 40 | 248 | 328 | .... | .... | 193 |
| MINISTERIAL SUPPORT. Paid to Colleagues. | By Circuit | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | " Sustentation Fund | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | " Contingent Fund | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | " Missionary Fund | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | Total Received | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | Net Deficiency | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | Total Assessable for Sup. M. Fund. | $642 | $131 | $30 | $100 | $958 | $241 | $4353 | $562 | $7 | $44 | $301 |
| | Total Raised for all Purposes | 252 | 189 | 329 | 162 | 2271 | 319 | 11541 | 1826 | 7 | 94 | 710 |
| | New Churches | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | $2 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | " " Value | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 13200 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | New Parsonages | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| | " " Value | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |

DISTRICT. V. KOOTENAY.

| Salmon Arm. (Supply R.H.P.) | Revelstoke. S. J. Thompson. | Trout Lake City. (J.E.P.) | Golden. James P. Westman. | Enderby. R. N. Powell. | Vernon. E. Robson. | Okanagan. (Supply.) | Fairview. W. E. Moody. | Cariboo. | Ashcroft. R. B. Laidley. | Lillooet and Clinton. John E. Gardner. | TOTAL. | Rossland. G. H. Mordon. | Trail. Jas. Calvert. | Nelson. John Robson. | Ymir. Jas. Hicks. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 40 | 92 | 6 | 28 | 73 | 58 | 14 | 10 | .... | 15 | 8 | 412 | 128 | 6 | 125 | 7 |
| 2 | 11 | .... | .... | 2 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 17 | 44 | .... | 2 | .... |
| 42 | 103 | 6 | 28 | 75 | 58 | 14 | 10 | .... | 15 | 8 | 429 | 172 | 6 | 127 | 7 |
| 46 | 105 | 6 | 32 | 64 | 80 | 14 | 14 | .... | 17 | 8 | 456 | 101 | 9 | 98 | 9 |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | 11 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 11 | 71 | .... | 29 | .... |
| 4 | 2 | .... | 4 | .... | 22 | .... | 4 | .... | 2 | .... | 38 | .... | 3 | .... | 2 |
| .... | 25 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 25 | 20 | .... | .... | .... |
| 1 | 16 | 1 | .... | 14 | 7 | .... | .... | .... | 4 | 4 | 55 | 14 | 1 | 26 | 4 |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 1 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| 1 | 16 | 1 | .... | 14 | 7 | .... | .... | .... | 4 | 5 | 56 | 14 | 1 | 26 | 4 |
| .... | 10 | .... | 1 | 5 | 4 | .... | .... | .... | 2 | .... | 25 | 24 | 5 | 23 | 1 |
| 2 | 4 | .... | 2 | 1 | 2 | .... | .... | .... | 3 | .... | 30 | 13 | 1 | 11 | 2 |
| $86 | $129 | $7 | $32 | $68 | $72 | .... | .... | .... | $12 | $7 | $532 | $101 | $29 | $68 | $4 |
| 12 | 51 | 8 | 11 | 13 | 19 | .... | $9 | .... | 13 | 10 | 198 | 51 | 10 | 38 | 12 |
| 2 | 2 | .... | 2 | .... | 5 | .... | .... | .... | 2 | .... | 14 | 2 | 4 | 15 | .... |
| 2 | 2 | .... | .... | 1 | 1 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | .... | 9 | 3 | 2 | 4 | .... |
| 1 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | .... | 1 | .... | 1 | 2 | 21 | 10 | 3 | 5 | 3 |
| 1 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 1 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | .... | 5 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | 3 | .... | 1 | 3 | 1 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | .... | 10 | 2 | 1 | 3 | .... |
| 104 | 193 | 16 | 47 | 87 | 101 | .. | 10 | .... | 31 | 19 | 789 | 169 | 49 | 133 | 19 |
| $2 | $10 | .... | .... | $2 | $3 | .... | .... | .... | $2 | .... | 25 | $2 | $2 | $1 | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | 25 | 60 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 155 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 102 | 9 | $5 |
| .... | 1 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 6 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | 3 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 5 | 1 | .... | .... | .... |
| 106 | 207 | $16 | $47 | 114 | 165 | .... | $10 | .... | 33 | 19 | 980 | 172 | 153 | 143 | 24 |
| .... | $2 | .... | .... | $2 | $3 | .... | .... | .... | .... | $5 | $12 | $3 | .... | $20 | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | $54 | 100 | 120 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 274 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| $60 | .... | .... | .... | 60 | 50 | .... | .... | .... | $60 | 8 | 348 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | 34 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 15 | .... | 114 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| 66 | 208 | $12 | 49 | 69 | 64 | .... | .... | .... | 25 | 13 | 582 | 175 | $40 | 290 | .... |
| 63 | 269 | .... | .... | .... | 7 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 411 | 70 | .... | 43 | .... |
| 46 | 190 | .... | .... | 285 | 196 | .... | .... | .... | 75 | .... | 1102 | 406 | 116 | 820 | $75 |
| 46 | 521 | 70 | 96 | 427 | 325 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 235 | 2594 | 1871 | 119 | 729 | 25 |
| 30 | 125 | 12 | .... | 6 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 130 | .... | 437 | 88 | .... | 145 | .... |
| 311 | 1315 | 94 | 199 | 983 | 765 | .... | .... | .... | 305 | 261 | 5874 | 2607 | 275 | 2047 | 100 |
| $128 | $900 | $118 | $234 | $320 | $100 | .... | $90 | .... | $160 | $70 | $2903 | $900 | $133 | $800 | $300 |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| 180 | .... | 120 | 74 | 308 | 400 | 48 | 90 | .... | 440 | 375 | 2734 | .... | 470 | .... | 295 |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | 71 | 47 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 60 | 178 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| 308 | 900 | 238 | 358 | 628 | 560 | .... | 180 | .... | 600 | 445 | 5589 | 900 | 603 | 800 | 595 |
| 92 | .... | 162 | 92 | 172 | 240 | .... | .... | .... | 200 | 355 | 1834 | .... | 247 | .... | 205 |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| $232 | $1093 | $134 | $331 | $407 | $201 | .... | $100 | .... | $191 | $89 | $3692 | $1069 | $182 | $933 | $319 |
| 545 | 2422 | 228 | 530 | 1417 | 1030 | .... | 100 | .... | 498 | 350 | 9757 | 3679 | 561 | 2990 | 424 |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |

**KOOTENAY DISTRICT.** **VI. SIMPSON**

| | Names of Circuits and Missions with Name of Pastor in Charge. | Kaslo. J. A. Wood. | Sandon. A. M. Sanford. | New Denver. A. E. Roberts. | Grand Forks. G. K. Bradshaw. | Greenwood. B. N. Balderston. | Cranbrook. G. E. Smith. | Fernie. R. F. Stillman. | TOTAL. | Port Simpson. S. S. Osterhout. A. E. Bolton, M.D. | Naas. W. T. Rush, M.D. | Port Essington. D. Jennings. | Upper Skeena. W. H. Pierce. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| MEMBERSHIP. | In Full Membership | 28 | 20 | 16 | 45 | 21 | 49 | 19 | 464 | 171 | 55 | 61 | 22 |
| | On Trial | 10 | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | 2 | 61 | 233 | 44 | 75 | 136 |
| | Total Membership | 38 | 21 | 16 | 46 | 21 | 50 | 21 | 525 | 404 | 99 | 136 | 158 |
| | Number published last year | 26 | 19 | 10 | 13 | 3 | | | 288 | 401 | 93 | 149 | 158 |
| | Increase | 12 | 2 | 6 | 33 | 18 | 50 | 21 | 242 | 3 | 6 | | |
| | Decrease | | | | | | | | 5 | | | 13 | |
| | Catechumens | | | | | | | 4 | 24 | 72 | 51 | 18 | |
| | Infant Baptisms | 4 | 9 | 3 | | 1 | 3 | 2 | 67 | 31 | 12 | 10 | 9 |
| | Adult Baptisms | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | | 3 | | 4 | | 3 |
| | Total Baptisms | 4 | 10 | 4 | | 2 | 3 | 2 | 70 | 31 | 16 | 10 | 12 |
| | Marriages solemnized | 3 | 4 | | | 13 | 3 | 2 | 78 | 10 | | 2 | |
| | Burials attended | 4 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 10 | 2 | 5 | 61 | 32 | 7 | 11 | |
| CONNEXIONAL FUNDS. | Missionary | $90 | $20 | $43 | $27 | $2 | $8 | $12 | $404 | $345 | $5 | $159 | |
| | Sup. or Supernumerary | 11 | 23 | 12 | 4 | 4 | 10 | | 175 | 30 | | 24 | $24 |
| | Educational | | 4 | 1 | 2 | | 2 | | 30 | 5 | | 7 | |
| | Contingent | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | 14 | 1 | | 1 | |
| | General Conference | 1 | 3 | 2 | | 1 | | | 28 | 2 | | | |
| | Union Church Relief | | | 1 | | | | | 1 | | | | |
| | S. S. Aid and Extension | 3 | | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | | 16 | 3 | | 4 | |
| | Funds Ass'ble for Sup. M. F. | 106 | 52 | 62 | 36 | 8 | 22 | 12 | 668 | | | | |
| | Sustentation | $1 | $5 | $2 | | | | | $13 | $2 | | | |
| | Columbian Methodist College | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Children's | 10 | 25 | 12 | | 6 | 10 | | *179 | | | | |
| | Temperance | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Woman's Missionary | | | | | | | | | 51 | | | |
| | General Epworth League | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | |
| | Total Connexional Funds | 117 | 82 | 76 | $36 | $14 | $32 | $12 | 861 | 439 | $5 | $195 | $24 |
| CIRCUIT PURPOSES. | Circuit Incidentals | $1 | | | | | $1 | $13 | $38 | | | $1 | |
| | House Rent | | | | $104 | $100 | | | 204 | | | | |
| | Horse Keep or Hire | | | | | | 40 | | 40 | | | | |
| | Removal Expenses | | | $118 | | | 20 | 124 | 262 | | | | |
| | Travelling Expenses | | | | 67 | | | | 67 | | | | |
| | Sunday Schools | 175 | | 75 | 64 | 12 | 32 | 29 | 892 | | | 6 | |
| | Epworth Leagues, etc | 15 | | | 4 | | | 27 | 159 | $24 | $50 | | |
| | Ladies' Aid | 115 | $260 | 66 | 183 | | 270 | 111 | 2416 | | | | |
| | Trustee Boards | 277 | 474 | | 1230 | 770 | 1200 | 1759 | [illegible] | | | | |
| | All other Purposes | 150 | | 228 | 139 | 30 | | 33 | [illegible] | 171 | 200 | 79 | |
| | Total | 733 | 734 | 487 | 1791 | 912 | 1563 | 2096 | 12345 | 195 | 250 | 86 | |
| MINISTERIAL SUPPORT. Paid to Superintendent. | By Circuit | $220 | $716 | $174 | $205 | $100 | $300 | $176 | $4024 | | | | |
| | " Sustentation Fund | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | " Contingent Fund | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | " Children's Fund | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | " Miss. Fund—Salary | 465 | | 520 | 245 | 270 | 130 | 420 | 2815 | $800 | $800 | $800 | $800 |
| | " " " Rent | | | | | | | | | | | | 9 |
| | " " " Removal | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Total Received | 685 | 716 | 694 | 450 | 370 | 430 | 596 | 6839 | 800 | 800 | 800 | 800 |
| | Net Deficiency | 315 | | 156 | | 80 | 170 | 304 | 1477 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 |
| Paid to Colleagues. | By Circuit | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | " Sustentation Fund | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | " Contingent Fund | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | " Missionary Fund | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Total Received | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Net Deficiency | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Total Assessable for Sup. M. Fund | $326 | $768 | $236 | $241 | $108 | $322 | $188 | $4692 | | | | |
| | Total Raised for all Purposes | 1070 | 1532 | 737 | 2032 | 1026 | 1895 | 2284 | 18230 | $634 | $255 | $281 | $24 |
| | New Churches | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | | | | |
| | " " Value | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | New Parsonages | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| | " " Value | | | | | | | | | | | | |

*For Twentieth Century Fund.

DISTRICT. VII. BELLA BELLA DISTRICT.

| Nass. W. T. Rush, M.D. | Port Essington. D. Jennings. | Upper Skeena. W. H. Pierce. | Kitzegucla. W. H. Pierce (Sup't). | Q. C. Islands. B. C. Freeman. | Hartley Bay. Under Chairman of District. | TOTAL. | Bella Bella. R. W. Large, M.D. | River's Inlet. E. N. | China Hat. G. E. | Kitamaat. G. H. Raley. | Kitlope. | Bella Coola. J. C. Spencer, M.D. | Kimsquit. | Cape Mudge. R. J. W. | Lower Fraser. T. Crosby. | Cowichan. C. M. Tate. | Victoria. W. H. G. | Nanaimo. R. G. W. | Nitinaht. W. J. Stone. | Claoquaht. C. W. S. (M.D.) | TOTAL. | TOTAL FOR CONFERENCE. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 55 | 61 | 22 | .. | 32 | .. | 341 | 33 | 3 | 40 | 54 | .. | 10 | .. | 9 | 75 | 2 | 13 | 7 | 10 | 2 | 258 | 4265 |
| 44 | 75 | 136 | 25 | 109 | .. | 622 | 55 | 2 | 18 | 157 | .. | 10 | .. | .. | 36 | 1 | 10 | 6 | 24 | 6 | 325 | 1232 |
| 99 | 136 | 158 | 25 | 141 | .. | 963 | 88 | 5 | 58 | 211 | .. | 20 | .. | 9 | 111 | 3 | 23 | 13 | 34 | 8 | 583 | 5496 |
| 93 | 149 | 158 | 44 | 141 | .. | 986 | 102 | .. | .. | 273 | .. | 23 | .. | 9 | 110 | .. | 28 | 10 | 27 | 4 | 646 | 5060 |
| 6 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 9 | .. | 5 | 58 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 3 | .. | 2 | 7 | 4 | 81 | 869 |
| .. | 13 | .. | 19 | .. | .. | 32 | 74 | .. | .. | 62 | .. | 3 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 5 | .. | .. | .. | 144 | 373 |
| 51 | 18 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 141 | .. | .. | .. | 37 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 7 | .. | .. | .. | 2 | .. | 46 | 372 |
| 12 | 10 | 9 | 2 | .. | .. | 64 | 30 | .. | .. | 12 | .. | 3 | .. | .. | 7 | 16 | 2 | 4 | 7 | 1 | 82 | 475 |
| 4 | .. | 3 | .. | .. | .. | 7 | 5 | .. | .. | 4 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 5 | .. | .. | .. | 3 | .. | 17 | 102 |
| 16 | 10 | 12 | 2 | .. | .. | 71 | 35 | .. | .. | 16 | .. | 3 | .. | .. | 12 | 16 | 2 | 4 | 10 | 1 | 99 | 577 |
| .. | 2 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 12 | 8 | .. | .. | 4 | .. | 1 | .. | .. | 3 | 2 | 1 | .. | .. | 1 | 20 | 315 |
| 7 | 11 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 50 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 15 | .. | 4 | .. | 5 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 1 | 51 | 341 |
| $5 | $159 | .. | .. | .. | .. | $509 | $73 | $30 | $61 | $31 | .. | $30 | .. | $22 | $155 | $15 | $31 | $14 | $39 | $10 | $511 | $4134 |
| .. | 24 | $24 | $9 | $24 | .. | 102 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | 1360 |
| .. | 7 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 12 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 183 |
| .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2 | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 2 | 119 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 161 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | 37 |
| .. | 4 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 7 | 1 | .. | .. | 1 | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2 | .. | 1 | 6 | 98 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | 4937 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | $2 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | $263 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | 846 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | 179 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | 7 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 51 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | $74 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | $74 | 689 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | 30 |
| $5 | $195 | $24 | .. | 24 | .. | 687 | $75 | $30 | $61 | $32 | .. | $31 | .. | $22 | 231 | $15 | $31 | $16 | $39 | $12 | 595 | 8106 |
| .. | $1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | $1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | $2 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | $2 | 121 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | 1052 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | 938 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | 741 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | $10 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 10 | 275 |
| .. | 6 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 6 | $4 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 7 | .. | .. | $4 | .. | .. | 15 | 6809 |
| $50 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 74 | .. | .. | $23 | $15 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 38 | 1708 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | 7918 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | 352 | .. | .. | $2 | .. | .. | .. | .. | $138 | .. | .. | .. | 492 | 39251 |
| 200 | 79 | .. | $193 | .. | .. | 563 | 45 | $10 | 28 | 78 | .. | 22 | .. | 16 | 248 | $60 | 2 | 2 | $24 | $47 | 582 | 9305 |
| 250 | 86 | .. | 113 | .. | .. | 644 | 49 | 10 | 403 | 93 | .. | 24 | .. | 26 | 257 | 60 | 140 | 6 | 24 | 47 | 1139 | 68068 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | $100 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | $100 | $21847 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | ..... |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | ..... |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | ..... |
| $800 | $800 | $800 | .. | $800 | .. | $4000 | $800 | .. | .. | $800 | .. | $800 | .. | .. | $900 | $800 | .. | .. | $800 | $800 | $5700 | 20615 |
| .. | .. | 9 | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 110 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 110 | 358 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | 110 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 71 | 80 | .. | .. | .. | 105 | 366 | 554 |
| 800 | 800 | 800 | .. | 800 | .. | 4000 | 800 | .. | .. | 800 | .. | 800 | .. | .. | 1000 | 800 | .. | .. | 800 | 800 | 5800 | 42702 |
| 50 | 50 | 50 | .. | 50 | .. | 250 | 50 | .. | .. | 100 | .. | 50 | .. | .. | 100 | 50 | .. | .. | 50 | 50 | 450 | 5325 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | 50 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | ..... |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | ..... |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | 180 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | 230 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | 70 |
| $255 | $281 | $24 | $113 | $24 | .. | $1331 | $124 | $40 | $464 | $125 | .. | $55 | .. | $48 | $588 | $75 | $171 | $22 | $63 | $59 | $1834 | $26744 98173 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 7 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | $700 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | $700 | $13900 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 2 | 8 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2000 | .. | .. | .. | 2000 | 4000 | 4600 |

## Statistical Report of Methodist Sunday Schools in the

| NAMES OF DISTRICTS. | Number of Preaching Appointments. | Number of Schools. | Officers and Teachers. | | | | Scholars. | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Members of the Methodist Church. | Non-Members. | Total. | Average Attendance. | In Primary Classes. | Intermediate Classes. | Adult Classes. | In Home Department. | Total. | Average Attendance in the School. | No. of Meth. Scholars attend'g Union Schools. | No. who have united with Ch. during year. | Members of Church. | Learning Catechism. | No. who are now Pledged Abstainers. |
| Victoria | 26 | 21 | 200 | 26 | 226 | 184 | 632 | 957 | 198 | 35 | 1816 | 1405 | .. | 79 | 183 | 445 | 416 |
| Vancouver | 18 | 11 | 103 | 19 | 122 | 99 | 379 | 490 | 359 | .. | 1228 | 832 | .. | 95 | 346 | 7 | 202 |
| Westminster | 18 | 12 | 106 | 15 | 121 | 94 | 290 | 366 | 193 | .. | 849 | 491 | 6 | 47 | 117 | 161 | 326 |
| Kamloops | 21 | 13 | 73 | 12 | 85 | 67 | 220 | 232 | 133 | .. | 585 | 379 | 6 | 9 | 58 | .. | 84 |
| Kootenay | 20 | 9 | 67 | 20 | 87 | 66 | 228 | 272 | 170 | 8 | 678 | 502 | 25 | 35 | 88 | 82 | 190 |
| Simpson | 17 | 5 | 16 | 1 | 17 | 15 | 201 | 122 | 155 | .. | 478 | 257 | .. | 18 | 185 | 105 | 159 |
| Bella Bella | 16 | 6 | 23 | 1 | 24 | 20 | 202 | 115 | 300 | .. | 617 | 327 | .. | 21 | 237 | 141 | .. |
| Total | 139 | 77 | 588 | 94 | 682 | 545 | 2152 | 2548 | 1508 | 43 | 6251 | 4193 | 37 | 304 | 1214 | 941 | 1377 |
| Increase | .. | 4 | 40 | 5 | 45 | 9 | 213 | 554 | 233 | 13 | 934 | 393 | 29 | 207 | 593 | .. | 491 |
| Decrease | 4 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .. | 22 | .. |

## Statistical Report of Methodist Young People's Societies in the

| NAMES OF DISTRICTS. | Epworth Leagues. | | | | Epworth Leagues of Christian Endeavor. | | | | Other Young People's Societies. | | | | Junior Ep. Leagues and other Jun. Soc's. | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Number. | Active Members. | Associate Members. | Total. | Number. | Active Members. | Associate Members. | Total. | Number. | Active Members. | Associate Members. | Total. | Number. | Active Members. | Associate Members. | Total. |
| Victoria | 5 | 99 | 90 | 189 | 1 | 49 | 32 | 81 | 5 | 110 | 18 | 128 | 2 | 53 | 42 | 95 |
| Vancouver | .. | .. | .. | .... | 5 | 156 | 43 | 199 | .. | .. | .. | .... | 2 | 106 | .. | 106 |
| Westminster | 1 | 21 | 5 | 26 | 1 | 46 | 24 | 70 | .. | .. | .. | .... | 1 | 16 | 3 | 19 |
| Kamloops | 3 | 50 | 14 | 64 | 1 | 14 | 9 | 23 | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .... |
| Kootenay | 3 | 64 | 39 | 103 | 2 | 37 | 22 | 59 | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .... |
| Simpson | 7 | 312 | 92 | 404 | .. | .... | .... | .... | .. | .. | .. | .... | 1 | .. | 9 | 9 |
| Bella Bella | 1 | 22 | .. | 22 | .. | .... | .... | .... | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .... |
| Total this year. | 20 | 568 | 240 | 808 | 10 | 302 | 130 | 432 | 5 | 110 | 18 | 128 | 6 | 175 | 54 | 229 |
| Total last year. | 13 | 417 | 185 | 602 | 9 | 261 | 157 | 418 | 2 | 52 | 14 | 66 | 4 | 148 | 8 | 156 |
| Increase | 7 | 151 | 55 | 206 | 1 | 41 | .... | 14 | 3 | 58 | 4 | 62 | 2 | 27 | 46 | 73 |
| Decrease | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .... | 27 | ... | .. | .. | .. | .... | .. | .. | .. | .... |

## British Columbia Conference for the Year ending May 31st, 1900.

| Literature. | | | | | | | | | Monies Contributed by Schools. | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Volumes in Library. | Copies of *Onward*. | *Pleasant Hours*. | *Happy Days*. | *Sunbeam*. | *Berean Leaf* and *Quarterly*. | *Sunday School Banner*. | Copies of other Periodicals published by our Book Room. | Copies of other Periodicals not published by our Book Room. | For Missions. | For Educational Fund. | For Superannuation or Supernumerary Fund. | For S. S. Aid and Extension Fund. | For School Purposes. | No. of Schools that have regular Teachers' Meeting for Study of Lesson. | Number of Schools that have Normal Classes. | Number of Schools that keep open the whole year. |
| 2601 | 507 | 643 | 514 | 480 | 716 | 167 | 89 | 112 | $69 40 | $20 00 | $4 00 | $23 35 | $2920 80 | .... | .. | 20 |
| 1738 | 375 | 335 | 228 | 218 | 487 | 71 | 22 | 472 | 84 90 | 5 00 | .... | 16 75 | 1047 20 | 1 | .. | 8 |
| 1391 | 205 | 222 | 159 | 140 | 575 | 114 | 119 | 22 | 157 70 | 25 00 | .... | 16 50 | 975 96 | .... | .. | 8 |
| 615 | 174 | 164 | 118 | 58 | 327 | 46 | 152 | 9 | 58 60 | .... | .... | 9 80 | 542 95 | .... | .. | 12 |
| 618 | 226 | 258 | 80 | 136 | 391 | 175 | 93 | 90 | 52 30 | .... | .... | 10 50 | 894 70 | 3 | .. | 9 |
| .. | 13 | 55 | 54 | 44 | .. | 2 | .... | 4 | 41 40 | .... | .... | 5 25 | 5 50 | 1 | .. | 4 |
| .. | .. | 6 | 19 | 20 | 20 | 7 | .... | .... | 75 10 | .... | .... | 2 35 | 11 75 | .... | .. | 6 |
| 7053 | 1500 | 1683 | 1162 | 1096 | 2516 | 852 | 475 | 709 | $539 40 | $50 00 | $4 00 | $84 50 | $6398 86 | 5 | .. | 67 |
| .. | 211 | 239 | 177 | 97 | 452 | 147 | 187 | 231 | 129 50 | 17 50 | .... | .... | 1587 09 | 1 | .. | .. |
| 89 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .... | .... | ..... | .... | .... | 50 | ..... | .... | .. | .. |

## British Columbia Conference for the Year ending May 31st, 1900.

| General Summary. | | | | Contributions. | | | | | | | Number of Leagues that have a Reading Circle. | Number of Copies of *Canadian Epworth Era* taken. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Number. | Active Members. | Associate Members. | Total. | For Local League or Society purposes. | For Gen'l Epworth League Fund. | For Missions. | For Superannuation or Supernumerary Fund. | For Educational Fund. | For all other purposes. | Total. | | |
| 13 | 311 | 182 | 493 | $388 25 | $16 25 | $88 35 | ..... | .... | $109 70 | $602 55 | 3 | 2 |
| 7 | 262 | 43 | 305 | 118 45 | 4 00 | 124 25 | ..... | .... | 201 45 | 448 15 | .. | 22 |
| 3 | 83 | 32 | 115 | 99 85 | 1 25 | 2 40 | ..... | .... | 26 65 | 130 15 | .. | 1 |
| 4 | 64 | 23 | 87 | 315 95 | 4 65 | 20 25 | ..... | .... | 78 15 | 419 00 | 1 | 8 |
| 5 | 101 | 61 | 162 | 131 65 | ..... | ..... | ..... | .... | 28 00 | 159 65 | .. | 34 |
| 8 | 312 | 101 | 413 | 206 85 | ..... | 32 50 | ..... | .... | ..... | 239 35 | .. | 10 |
| 1 | 22 | .... | 22 | 22 50 | ..... | ..... | ..... | .... | ..... | 22 50 | .. | .... |
| 41 | 1155 | 442 | 1597 | $1283 50 | $26 .5 | $267 75 | ..... | .... | $443 95 | $2021 35 | 4 | 77 |
| 28 | 878 | 364 | 1247 | 1046 39 | 21 90 | 249 15 | ..... | $53 00 | 356 70 | 1727 14 | 2 | 44 |
| 13 | 277 | 78 | 350 | $237 11 | $4 25 | $18 60 | ..... | .... | $87 25 | $294 21 | 2 | 33 |
| .. | .... | .... | .... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | $53 00 | ..... | ..... | .. | .... |

## LAY MEMBERS IN THE QUARTERLY OFFICIAL BOARDS.

| NAMES OF DISTRICTS. | Local Preachers. | Exhorters. | Class Leaders and Assistants. | Stewards. | Society Representatives. | Trustee Board Representatives. | Sunday School Superintendents. | Epworth League Presidents. | Epworth League of C. E. Presidents. | Other Young People's Society Presidents. | TOTAL. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Victoria | 21 | 7 | 26 | 67 | 64 | 12 | 20 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 187 |
| Vancouver | 14 | 2 | 27 | 39 | 27 | 4 | 13 | .. | 5 | .. | 117 |
| Westminster | 6 | 4 | 15 | 53 | 20 | 5 | 11 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 105 |
| Kamloops | 9 | 2 | 7 | 47 | 19 | 4 | 8 | 3 | 1 | .... | 78 |
| Kootenay | 11 | .... | 4 | 51 | 28 | 15 | 8 | 2 | 3 | .... | 89 |
| Simpson | 32 | 75 | 6 | 17 | 1 | .... | 5 | 6 | ... | .... | 124 |
| Bella Bella | 22 | 7 | 7 | 20 | 4 | 1 | 8 | 1 | .. | 1 | 61 |
| Total this year | 114 | 97 | 92 | 294 | 172 | 41 | 73 | 19 | 11 | 6 | 761 |
| Total last year | 105 | 72 | 87 | 279 | 153 | 27 | 55 | 31 | 9 | 8 | 697 |
| Increase | 9 | 25 | 5 | 15 | 19 | 14 | 18 | .... | 2 | .... | 64 |
| Decrease | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 12 | .... | 2 | .... |

# REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

## REPORT OF STATISTICAL COMMITTEE.

Your Committee on Statistics beg leave to report that the total membership for the Conference is 5,496; number published last year, 5,060; increase, 436.

Collected for missions, $4,134; last year, $4,056; increase, $78.

Raised for all purposes, $98,173; last year, $77,033; increase, $21,140.

Three churches have been built, value, $13,900, and two parsonages, value, $4,000; total, $17,900.

Four other churches have been built, but the value is not given in the schedule.

A book for Conference statistics has been provided by the Secretary, which cost $5.50; but, as it is not ruled, we recommend that it be returned, and another ordered with columns ruled according to Conference schedules. Such book can be procured for $10.00.

C. M. TATE, *Statistical Secretary.*

## REPORT OF THE CONTINGENT FUND COMMITTEE.

Your Committee beg leave to report, recommending as follows:

1. That the Contingent Fund Committee of this Conference constitute the Billeting Fund Committee.

2. That the treasurer of the Contingent Fund Committee be also treasurer of the Billeting Fund.

3. And that the report of the Billeting Fund to date be made to the Contingent Fund Committee. Any balance in hand be paid the treasurer forthwith.

RECEIPTS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Balance on hand, May 16th, 1899 | $51 15 |
| Victoria District | 45 30 |
| Vancouver " | 24 70 |
| Westminster " | 21 75 |
| Kamloops " | 9 15 |
| Kootenay " | 12 00 |
| Simpson " | 2 00 |
| Bella Bella " | 2 00 |
| Sale of Minutes | 6 25 |
| Collection (Temperance Meeting) | 6 60 |
| " (Sunday Services) | 18 75 |
| | $199 65 |

$ 148.50

EXPENDITURES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Janitor, 1899 | $5 00 |
| Book Room, 1899 | 31 25 |
| President's Expenses | 30 90 |
| Secretary's " | 13 00 |
| Conference Special Committee Expenses | 21 75 |
| Ordination Bibles | 10 00 |
| Printing Circulars and Station Sheets | 7 00 |
| Stationery | 10 00 |
| Balance on hand | 70 75 |
| | $199 65 |

We recommend the following disbursements:

| | |
|---|---|
| Janitor, for 1900 | $10 00 |
| J. C. Speer (Chairman's Expenses) | 5 00 |
| Ordination Bibles | 3 15 |
| Book Room, on account | 50 00 |
| | $68 15 |
| Balance on hand | 2 60 |

## REPORT OF BILLETING FUND COMMITTEE.

RECEIPTS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Receipts from Districts for 1899 | $94.00 |
| Personal Subscriptions | 13 50 |
| Balance from 1898 | 67 10 |
| | $174 60 |

EXPENDITURES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Hotel Bills | $122 25 |
| Balance on hand | 52 35 |
| | $174 60 |

*For 1900—*

| | |
|---|---|
| Balance on hand, 1899 | $52 35 |
| Paid Hotel Bills | 12 00 |
| Balance on hand, May 15th, 1900 | $40 35 |

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THOS. CROSBY, *Chairman.*
FRED. L. IRWIN, *Secretary.*

## REPORT OF THE SUSTENTATION FUND COMMITTEE.

RECEIPTS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Victoria District | $55 55 |
| Westminster District | 50 00 |
| Vancouver " | 118 10 |
| Kamloops " | 12 00 |
| Simpson " | 2 00 |
| Lecture, Rev. J. C. Speer | 24 85 |
| Donation | 22 00 |
| | $310 00 |

DISBURSEMENTS.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Bro. | G. H. Osborne | $25 00 |
| " | C. W. Nelson | 15 00 |
| " | Wm. Hicks | 20 00 |
| " | J. P. Hicks | 20 00 |
| " | A. N. Miller | 25 00 |
| " | A. K. Sharpe | 10 00 |
| " | R. Wilkinson | 20 00 |
| " | J. P. Bowell | 25 00 |
| " | W. L. Hall | 10 00 |
| " | T. Neville | 15 00 |
| " | R. H. Peardon | 10 00 |
| " | J. E. Plemming | 10 00 |
| " | J. P. Westman | 25 00 |
| " | E. Robson | 25 00 |
| " | R. B. Laidley | 15 00 |
| " | J. E. Gardiner | 25 00 |
| " | J. A. Wood | 15 00 |
| | | $310 00 |

Your Committee recommend that a Standing Committee, consisting of Revs. T. W. Hall, A. E. Green and Mr. David Spencer, be appointed to consider the best means to increase the subscriptions and collections on behalf of the Sustentation Fund, and to make an appeal during the year.

D. SPENCER, *Secretary.*

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## REPORT OF CHURCH AND PARSONAGE FUND.

RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR.

| | |
|---|---|
| Balance from last year | $39 50 |
| From Rossland | 50 00 |
| " Interest | 2 00 |
| " Sandon, in full | 51 25 |
| " Trail | 33 60 |
| | $176 35 |

EXPENDITURE.

| | |
|---|---|
| On Lillooet Church Account— | |
| Foster Account | $17 00 |
| " in full | 13 30 |
| Sutherland Account | 47 50 |
| Rev. J. F. Betts, on loan | 75 95 |
| Balance on hand | 22 60 |
| | $176 35 |

1. We recommend that the officers for the ensuing year be the same as last year.

2. We recommend that Trail be given another year in which to return the balance of loan, with interest continuing at four per cent. per annum.

That Rossland Board be written by the Secretary of the Fund requesting that a payment of $50.00 be made immediately to assist in liquidating the balance of the Lillooet Church loan due to Rev. J. F. Betts, and the

balance due from Rossland be paid with interest by October 1st, 1900, that it may be loaned to Sandon Trust Board, to assist them in the erection of a church and parsonage to replace that so lately destroyed by fire.

3. That the treasurer be instructed to pay Rev. J. F. Betts the balance due him on the McCulloch loan for Lillooet Church, viz., $65.25, as soon as funds are on hand.

4. That we recommend this Fund to the generous consideration of our people; that all our ministers be urged to secure donations and bequests thereto, that it may continue its beneficent work.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. LADNER, *Chairman.*
S. J. THOMPSON, *Secretary.*

## REPORT OF THE UNION CHURCH RELIEF FUND.

RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR.

| | |
|---|---|
| Victoria District | $14 00 |
| Vancouver " | 8 30 |
| Westminster " | 10 20 |
| Kamloops " | 5 20 |
| Kootenay " | 1 00 |
| | $38 70 |

S. J. THOMPSON, *Conference Treasurer.*

## EDUCATIONAL FUND COMMITTEE.

Your Committee wish to report:

INCOME.

| | |
|---|---|
| Balance on hand from last year | $11 20 |
| Receipts from Victoria District | 36 40 |
| " " Vancouver " | 46 00 |
| " " Westminster " | 43 00 |
| " " Kamloops " | 13 75 |
| " " Kootenay " | 30 00 |
| " " Simpson " | 12 00 |
| " " Bella Bella " | 1 00 |
| " " Conference Collection | 12 85 |
| | $206 20 |

We recommend the payment of the following accounts:

| | |
|---|---|
| To Treasurer, for Minute Book | $0 40 |
| " M. O. Stewart, typewriting | 16 25 |
| " Book Room, for supplies | 0 60 |
| " Clark & Stewart, for supplies | 1 95 |
| " Postage | 1 00 |
| | $20 20 |

We recommend the balance of $186 to be paid to Columbian College according to Discipline.

*Re* D. W. Scott.—We recommend the adoption of the minute of the District in his case, amended by the addition of the words "with full aid."

*Re* W. G. Tanner.—We recommend the adoption of the minute of the District in his case.

*Re* Geo. A. Cropp.—We recommend the adoption of the minute of the District in his case.

We recommend the reappointment of Rev. J. Calvert as treasurer for the ensuing year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. WHITTINGTON, *Chairman.*
J. CALVERT, *Secretary.*

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## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

The examinations for 1900 were conducted in due form, and the results reported to Conference. We recommend:

1. That the examinations for 1901 begin the first Wednesday in April.

2. That the chairmen of Kamloops, Kootenay and Indian Districts assign the place and conduct the examinations in their respective districts, and that, for the other districts of the Conference, the place be Vancouver, and the Secretary of the Board the superintending examiner.

3. That the examiners shall prepare one copy of each paper, and send to the Secretary of the Board not later than February 15th; the Secretary to prepare a sufficient number of copies at the expense of the Educational Fund.

4. That the subjects be allocated as follows:

PRELIMINARY COURSE (*for Non-matriculants*).

Arithmetic and Euclid, English Grammar, Geography and English Literature—Rev. George H. Morden.
Ancient History (Greece and Rome), English and Canadian History and New Testament History—Rev. John Robson, B.A.
Greek Grammar—Rev. W. J. Sipprell, B.A., B.D.
Wesley's Sermons, I. to XX., and Methodist Catechism—Rev. T. W. Hall.
Outlines of English Literature—Rev. John Robson, B.A.

FIRST YEAR (on a circuit).

English Bible Study—Rev. W. H. Barraclough, B.A.
Old Testament History—Rev. J. H. White.
Greek Testament—Rev. W. J. Sipprell, B.A., B.D.
Theology, Wesley's Sermons, I. to LII.—Rev. T. W. Hall.
Shaw's Digest—Rev. E. Robson.
Wesley on Christian Perfection—Rev. Joseph Hall.
Steele's Antinomianism and Fletcher's Last Check—Rev. Joseph Hall.
Homiletics—Rev. J. F. Betts.

SECOND YEAR (on a circuit).

English Bible Study—Rev. W. H. Barraclough, B.A.
Greek Testament—Rev. W. J. Sipprell, B.A., B.D.
Theology, Banks' Manual—Rev. W. H. Barraclough, B.A.
Church History, Stevens' History of Methodism and Canadian Methodism—Rev. A. M. Sanford, B.A.
Homiletic Exercise—Rev. J. F. Betts.
Blaikie, For the Work of the Ministry—Rev. R. Whittington, M.A., B.Sc.
The Discipline—Rev. E. S. Rowe.

THIRD YEAR (on a circuit).

English Bible Study—Rev. W. H. Barraclough, B.A.
Greek Testament—Rev. W. J. Sipprell, B.A., B.D.
Theology—Rev. E. E. Scott.
Church History—Rev. A. M. Sanford, B.A.
Homiletic Exercise—Rev. J. F. Betts.
Sunday Schools (Trumbull's Lectures)—Rev. S. J. Thompson.

5. That the Chinese course be as per Discipline.

6. That the President and Rev. Goro Kaburagi, M.A., be a committee to prepare a Japanese course for any candidate.

7. That Revs. T. Crosby, D. Jennings, C. M. Tate, S. S. Osterhout, Ph.D., and G. H. Raley be the examiners in the course provided for native Indian missionaries.

8. That Rev. E. E. Scott be the Secretary of the Board.

R. WHITTINGTON, *Chairman.*
E. E. SCOTT, *Secretary.*

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## COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS.

Resolution *re* the question, "Can any measures be adopted for the promotion of the work of God in the Districts?"

Whereas the methods adopted and practised in the polity of the Methodist Church in Canada, and particularly in the British Columbia Conference, are a radical departure from the traditions of Methodism, especially in the following respects: (*a*) The almost complete abandonment of the "Circuit System" in the order and planning of the circuits and missions, and the consequent tendency to make a "one-pulpit-one-minister" arrangement, and (*b*) the failure to provide any form of work calculated to develop the talent or utilize the ability of the lay brethren in the Church, and the persistent ignoring of the customs and usages of Methodism in respect to her local preachers; and

Whereas a respectable proportion of the membership of the Methodist Church in British Columbia consists of persons who were reared in England, and have formed attachments for the system in operation there; and

Whereas nearly all the local preachers within the bounds of the British Columbia Conference are men who have obtained their licenses under a system whose operation affords them ample opportunity for their share in the pulpit work of the Church, and they, being introduced to such different conditions as exist in this country, feel a strong tax put upon their loyalty to Methodism; and

Whereas there are within the bounds of circuits and missions in the British Columbia Conference hopeful appointments, which under the present system are only partially or inadequately supplied with preaching services, and

Whereas such fields seem to promise suitable openings for the profitable employment of the latent talent of the Church, thereby conserving the loyalty of the workers and adding to the efficiency of the agencies already employed;

Be it therefore *Resolved*, that this Annual Conference appoint a select committee who shall have power to correspond with the officials of circuits and missions, and to ascertain the openings which might be afforded, and plans which might be used, in a rearrangement of the work throughout the Conference, with a view to (*a*) economy of missionary grants; (*b*) giving more frequent and regular service to the various outposts; and (*c*) the employment of a considerable number of capable men who are licensed from year to year as local preachers and left without any acceptable work to perform.

And, be it further *Resolved*, that such committee prepare a report to be submitted to the next ensuing Annual District Meetings; and that any expenses incurred by the committee be a charge upon the Contingent Fund of the next Annual Conference, not to exceed $25.

The committee was appointed. See list of Conference Committees.

E. Robson, *Chairman.*
T. W. Hall, *Secretary.*

## REPORT OF GENERAL CONFERENCE FUND.

The receipts are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Victoria District | $54 95 |
| Vancouver " | 30 80 |
| Westminster District | 25 18 |
| Kamloops " | 23 70 |
| Kootenay " | 28 25 |
| Simpson " | 2 00 |
| Bella Bella " | 1 00 |
| | $165 88 |

A. E. Green, *Treasurer.*

## REPORT OF TEMPERANCE FUND COMMITTEE.

Receipts.

| | |
|---|---|
| Vancouver District | $1 00 |
| Kamloops " | 6 00 |
| | $7 00 |

S. J. Thompson, *Treasurer.*

## REPORT OF CHURCH PROPERTY COMMITTEE.

Your Committee recommend:

1. The Conference to consent to the sale, by the Trustees of Cloverdale congregation, of the Cloverdale parsonage property.

2. The Conference to consent to the sale, by the Trustees of Maple Bay Methodist congregation, of the land and old parsonage situate on the Maple Bay Road, being the land south of the road only, the sum of $200 of the proceeds to be applied towards the parsonage on the mission at Duncan, the balance to be used in the improvement of the church property,

seating the church, putting in a pulpit, painting the church inside and outside, clearing ground and fencing the cemetery.

3. That the Conference consent to the sale, by the Trustees of Golden Methodist congregation, of their church property, the proceeds to be applied in purchasing a site in a more central locality and erecting a church building.

4. That the Conference consent to the sale, by the Trustees of Mt. Pleasant Methodist congregation, of their church property, subject to the approval of the Conference Special Committee, the proceeds to be applied towards purchasing a better site and erecting a church building.

5. That the Conference consent to the recommendation of the Board of Trustees of the Indian Church in Victoria, to transfer the said property from the above-named Board of Trustees to the Methodist Church body corporate, whose property it is.

E. Robson, *Chairman.*
R. W. Harris, *Secretary.*

### *Re* Band of Workers' Hall.

Moved by Rev. D. Jennings, seconded by Rev. J. P. Hicks—Whereas your Committee on Missions has been informed that the Hon. Clifford Sifton, the Minister of the Interior, is prepared to give the Band of Workers of the Methodist Church in Port Simpson possession of the hall in that place, known as the Band of Workers' Hall, your Committee therefore recommend this Conference to instruct the Chairman of the Indian District to take the necessary steps to have the Honorable the Minister of the Interior hand over the key of the said hall to the superintendent of our mission in Port Simpson, on behalf of the said Band of Workers, if in his judgment he thinks fit.—Carried.

John Robson, *Secretary.*

## MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS.

### *Re* Sandon Fire Relief.

Whereas in the recent conflagration that destroyed the principal portion of the town of Sandon, B.C., the property of the Methodist Church, including all the personal effects of the Rev. A. M. Sanford, B.A., a member of this Conference, was consumed ;

And whereas, it has come to our knowledge that Mr. Sanford's loss is not covered by any insurance ;

Be it therefore *Resolved,* That this Conference hereby expresses its profound sympathy for our people in the loss of their parsonage and church property, and especially for our Bro. Sanford's loss, which leaves him practically without earthly possessions ;

And, further, be it hereby *Resolved,* That a small committee be appointed, on the nomination of the chair, to arrange some means by

which we can help our people to rebuild their beautiful church, and also to receive any contributions that may be offered by the members and friends of this Conference, as a tangible expression of sympathy to Bro. Sanford and his family.

The report of the committee *re* the above was amended to read as follows:

"Your Committee recommend that the Conference raise $2,000; that $400 of this be for Bro. Sanford's personal loss; that an appeal be made to every circuit and mission in the Conference; and that this appeal be made through the *Guardian* and *Wesleyan* to the whole Church."

Revs. Charles Ladner and A. M. Sanford, B.A., were appointed to draft the appeal, which was to be signed by the President of Conference.

### *Re* Columbian College and the Century Fund

It was moved by Rev. E. Robson, and seconded by Rev. E. E. Scott, that the amounts subscribed for Columbian College on the Twentieth Century Thanksgiving Fund, be paid directly to the College, and a certified list sent to the General Treasurer.—Carried.

### *Re* Chinese Work.

The recommendation of the Stationing Committee, that the Chinese work be placed under the Superintendent of the Indian work, was, on motion, adopted.

### *Re* Work at Esquimault.

The report of the Conference Special Committee concerning the work at Esquimault was received, and, on motion, adopted.

The Secretary of Conference was instructed to forward all documents concerning the matter to the Twentieth Century Fund Committee of the General Conference.

It was moved by Rev. J. F. Betts, and seconded by Rev. T. W. Hall, that we, the Victoria District, at its Financial District Meeting, do recommend the granting of a sum, such as they may judge advisable, from the General Board of Missions for the aid of the work in connection with Her Majesty's forces at Esquimault.—Carried.

Complimentary resolutions were tendered as follows: Revs. J. C. Speer and R. N. Powell, *re* personal services; Rev. W. W. Baer, *re* success of *Western Methodist Recorder*. Votes of thanks were tendered to Mr. R. Marpole, General Superintendent of Canadian Pacific Railway, for special courtesy *re* passes; the President and Secretaries, for faithful and efficient services; trustees of Conference Church; the ladies and Rev. J. F. Betts, for kindness *re* entertainment; the choir, for special musical services; the *Columbian*, for excellent press reports; transportation companies, for special arrangements; Miss S Bowes, *re* Woman's Missionary Society; Rev. Dr. Sutherland, for excellent ordination sermon, etc.

## ANNIVERSARY SESSIONS.

### Temperance.

Wednesday evening, May 9th, a public temperance meeting was held, when Revs. W. L. Hall and R. Hughes and Bro. C. S. Keith gave stirring addresses. Collection for the Contingent Fund, $6.60.

### Missionary.

Thursday evening was given over to Rev. Dr. Sutherland, the Missionary Secretary, who gave an inspiring address. The President of the Conference occupied the chair, and a collection, on behalf of the Missionary Society, amounting to $15.50 was taken up.

### Lecture by Rev. J. C. Speer.

Friday evening was occupied with a lecture on the "Mammoth Cave and Its Marvels," by Rev. J. C. Speer. Rev. Principal Sipprell presided. The lecture was entertaining and instructive. Collection on behalf of the Sustentation Fund, $24.85.

### Theological Union.

The annual meeting of the Theological Union was held on Saturday evening.

Rev. W. J. Sipprell, B.A., B.D., gave the annual lecture, his subject being the "Individualism of Christ." The lecture elicited great applause from a good audience. Officers for the ensuing year: President, Rev. W. J. Sipprell, B.A., B.D.; Secretary, Rev. J. P. Hicks; Lecturer for 1901, Rev. S. S. Osterhout, Ph.D.

### Sunday Services.

The Conference Love-feast was in charge of Rev. T. W. Hall. At 11 a.m. Rev. Dr. Sutherland preached an eloquent and inspiring ordination sermon, after which Wm. Schlichter and Geo. K. Bradshaw were ordained to the work of the Christian ministry.

At 3 p.m. the Sunday School was addressed by Revs. R. W. Large, M.D., and G. Howard Osborne.

At 7 p.m. Rev. E. E. Scott preached an excellent sermon, and the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by the President, assisted by the chairmen of districts.

### Educational.

Rev. G. Howard Osborne occupied the chair at the Educational Meeting on Monday evening, and addresses were delivered by Revs. W. H. Barraclough, B.A., and A. M. Sanford, B.A. After the addresses the choir, under the leadership of Mr. T. R. Pearson, most beautifully rendered the sacred cantata, "Jairus' Daughter." Following this the President, assisted by the Missionary Secretary and others, ordained as a native Indian missionary, George Edgar, a native Indian. Collection, $12.85.

### Sunday School and Epworth League.

On Tuesday evening, May 15th, most helpful addresses were given by Mr. Thos. Bryant and Rev. C. H. M. Sutherland on Sunday School and Epworth League work.

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## CLOSE OF CONFERENCE.

A hymn was sung, and the benediction pronounced by the President, and the Conference closed its fourteenth session at 12.45 a.m. Wednesday, May 16th, 1900.

# STATIONS OF MINISTERS AND PROBATIONERS.

ROBERT WHITTINGTON, M.A., B.Sc., PRESIDENT OF CONFERENCE.
WILLIAM H. BARRACLOUGH, B.A., SECRETARY OF CONFERENCE.

*The word in parentheses is the Post-office address of the Minister whose name immediately precedes it.*

## I. VICTORIA DISTRICT.

1 *Victoria* (Metropolitan)—Elliott S. Rowe.
2 *Victoria* (Centennial)—William H. Barraclough, B.A., *Secretary of Conference.* Cornelius Bryant, Superannuated.
3 *Victoria West*—John D. P. Knox.
4 *Victoria* (James Bay)—Robert Hughes, under Superintendent of Centennial.
5 *Victoria* (Japanese Mission)—Under Superintendent of Metropolitan.
6 *Saanich*—Joseph W. Winslow (Sidney).
7 *Cowichan*—G. Howard Osborne, Duncan's. One to be sent (A. S.) (Duncan's).
8 *Mount Sicker and Lumber Camps*—Charles W. Nelson, under Superintendent of Wallace Street, Nanaimo.
9 *Salt Spring Island*—Robert J. Irwin (Burgoyne Bay).
10 *Nanaimo* (Wallace Street)—Walter W. Baer.
11 *Nanaimo* (Haliburton Street)—James Calvert.
12 *Nanaimo* (Japanese Mission)—To be supplied, under Superintendent of Wallace Street.
13 *Wellington*—James Hicks.
14 *Cumberland*—William Hicks.
15 *Cumberland* (Japanese Mission)—Under Superintendent of Cumberland.
16 *Denman*—One wanted.

John P. Hicks, Chaplain to the Wesleyans of H. M. Forces at Esquimault, by permission of Conference.

WILLIAM H. BARRACLOUGH, B.A., *Chairman.*
J. P. HICKS, *Financial Secretary.*

## II. VANCOUVER DISTRICT.

17 *Vancouver* (Homer Street)—Edmund E. Scott.
18 *Vancouver* (Princess Street)—John Robson, B.A. James Turner, Superannuated, with permission to reside in Ireland.
19 *Vancouver* (Mount Pleasant)—Charles H. M. Sutherland.
20 *Vancouver* (Fairview)—Alfred E. Green.
21 *Vancouver* (Japanese Mission, including Sapperton and Steveston)—Goro Kaburagi, M.A.
22 *Richmond*—Arthur N. Miller (Eburne).
23 *Maple Ridge*—W. Lashley Hall.
24 *Mission City*—Robert Wilkinson.
25 *Agassiz and Hot Springs*—Akroyd Stony.
26 *Van Anda*—William C. Schlichter.
27 *Atlin*—Under General Board of Missions.

ALFRED E. GREEN, *Chairman.*
ALFRED N. MILLER, *Fin. Sec.*

## III. WESTMINSTER DISTRICT.

28 *New Westminster* (Queen's Avenue)—John F. Betts. Wilford J. Sipprell, B.A., B.D., *Principal C. M. College.* Ebenezer Robson, *Bursar of C. M. College.* Thomas D. Pearson, Superannuated.
29 *New Westminster* (West End)—John P. Bowell.
30 *New Westminster* (Sapperton)—To be supplied, under Superintendent of West End.
31 *Ladner*—Elihu Manuel.
32 *Cloverdale and Langley*—Allan K. Sharpe (Langley). One to be sent (C. W.) (Cloverdale).
33 *Sumas*—To be supplied.
34 *Chilliwack*—Thos. W. Hall.
35 *Cheam*—One to be sent (J. E. P.).
Jos. Hall, *Principal of Coqualeetza Institute*, by permission of Conference. David W. tt to attend Columbian College. W. Gordon Tanner to attend Wesley College, Winnipeg.

JOSEPH HALL, *Chairman.*
T. W. HALL, *Fin. Sec.*

## IV. KAMLOOPS DISTRICT.

36 *Kamloops*—Charles Ladner. John E. Gardiner, B.A., Superannuated (Newmarket, Ont.).
37 *Thompson River*—To be supplied, under Superintendent of Kamloops.
38 *Nicola*—Thomas Neville.
39 *Salmon Arm*—William D. Misener.
40 *Revelstoke*—Samuel J. Thompson.
41 *Trout Lake City*—One to be sent (A. E. S.), under Superintendent of Revelstoke.
42 *Golden*—G. B. Kinney, B.A.
43 *Enderby*—R. Newton Powell. Joseph E. Rosoman, Supernumerary.
44 *Vernon*—James P. Westman.
45 *Okanagan*—One to be sent, under Superintendent of Vernon.
46 *Princeton*—One to be sent.
47 *Cariboo*—To be supplied.
48 *Ashcroft*—Robert B. Laidley.
49 *Lillooet*—J. H. Wright.
George A. Croft, to attend Victoria University, Toronto.

CHARLES LADNER, *Chairman.*
S. J. THOMPSON, *Fin. Sec.*

## V. KOOTENAY DISTRICT.

50 *Rossland*—George H. Morden. David D. Birks, Supernumerary.
51 *Trail*—John Pye.
52 *Nelson*—James H. White.
53 *Ymir*—One to be sent.
54 *Kaslo*—James A. Wood.
55 *Ainsworth*—One to be sent.
56 *Sandon*—Albert M. Sanford, B.A.
57 *New Denver and Slocan City*—Arthur E. Roberts (New Denver).
58 *Grand Forks*—George K. Bradshaw.
59 *Phœnix*—One to be sent (T. W. H.)
60 *Greenwood*—B. Hedley Palderston, B.A.
61 *Cranbrook*—John W. Bowering, B.A. William G. Mahon.

62 *Fernie*—R. Forbes Stillman.
63 *Michel*—Thomas H. Wright.
George E. Smith, S.T.L., left without a station at his own request.

JAMES A. WOOD, *Chairman.*
JAMES H. WHITE, *Fin. Sec.*

## VI. INDIAN DISTRICT.

Robert Whittington, M.A., B.Sc., *President of Conference*, Superintendent of Indian work, to reside at Vancouver.

64 *Port Simpson*—S. Stanley Osterhout, Ph.D. Albert E. Bolton, M.D., Medical Missionary.
65 *Naas River*—William T. Rush, M.D., Medical Missionary. Native agent, under superintendence of the Chairman.
66 *Skidegate, Q.C.I.*—Barnabas C. Freeman.
67 *Port Essington*—Dennis Jennings.
68 *Kitselash*—To be visited from Port Essington.
69 *Hartley Bay*—Missionary teacher (G. R.), under superintendence of Chairman.
70 *Kishpyax*—William H. Pierce. H. C. Wrinch, Medical Missionary.
71 *Kitzegucla*—Native agent (L. G.), under superintendence of Chairman.
72 *Hugwilget*—Missionary teacher (R. H. C.), under superintendence of Chairman.
73 *Bella Bella*—Richard W. Large, M.D., Medical Missionary.
74 *River's Inlet*—To be supplied, under superintendence of Chairman.
75 *China Hat*—George Edgar, under superintendence of Chairman.
76 *Kitamaat*—George H. Raley.
77 *Kitlope*—To be visited from Kitamaat.
78 *Bella Coola*—John C. Spencer, M.D., Medical Missionary.
79 *Kimsquit*—To be supplied by native agent, under superintendence of Chairman.
80 *Cape Mudge*—Missionary teacher (R. J. W.), under superintendence of Chairman.
81 *Lower Fraser*—Thomas Crosby (Sardis). Native agent (Capt. J.).
82 *Cowichan Tribes*—Charles M. Tate (Duncan's).
83 *Nanaimo*—Missionary teacher (E.N.), under superintendence of Chairman.
84 *Victoria*—Lay agent (W. H. G.), under superintendence of Chairman.
85 *Nitenat*—William J. Stone (Cla-oose).
86 *Claoquaht*—Charles W. Service, M.A., M.D., Medical Missionary. Native agent wanted.
87 *Nootka Sound*—To be visited.
Steamer *Glad Tidings* left in hands of Missionary Board.
Patrick Russ, native agent, permitted to attend school.

ROBERT WHITTINGTON, M.A., B.Sc., *Chairman.*
S. STANLEY OSTERHOUT, Ph.D., *Fin. Sec.*

## CHINESE MISSIONS.

UNDER SUPERINTENDENCE OF CHAIRMAN OF INDIAN WORK.

88 *Victoria*—Chan Sing Kai.
89 *Vancouver and Richmond*—To be supplied (C. W. T.).
90 *New Westminster and Lower Fraser*—To be supplied (T. C. T.).
91 *Nanaimo*—To be supplied (F. D.).
92 *Kamloops*—To be supplied, under Superintendent of Kamloops.

ROBERT WHITTINGTON, M.A., B.Sc., *Superintendent.*

## ALPHABETICAL LIST OF THE MINISTERS AND PROBATIONERS IN THE BRITISH COLUMBIA CONFERENCE FOR THE YEAR 1900.

| Ministry began. | | | Years on Cir. | Cir. No. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1886 | Baer, Walter W | Nanaimo | 1 | 10 |
| .. | Balderston, B. Hedley, B.A., | Greenwood | 2 | 60 |
| 1885 | Barraclough, William H., B.A. (*Sec. of Conf.*), *Chairman* | Victoria | 3 | 2 |
| 1870 | Betts, John F | New Westminster | 3 | 28 |
| 1891 | Birks, David D., Sup'y | Rossland | 4 | 50 |
| 1874 | Bowell, John Perry | New Westminster | 3 | 29 |
| 1894 | Bowering, John E., B.A. | Cranbrook | 1 | 61 |
| 1870 | Bryant, Cornelius, Sup'd | Mount Tolmie | 8 | 2 |
| 1883 | Calvert, James | Nanaimo | 1 | 11 |
| 1892 | Chan Sing Kai | Victoria | 6 | .. |
| 1868 | Crosby, Thomas | Sardis | 2 | 81 |
| 1891 | Freeman, Barnabas C | Skidegate | 8 | 66 |
| 1889 | Gardiner, John E., B.A., Sup'd. | (Newmarket, Ont.) | 1 | 36 |
| 1877 | Green, Alfred Eli, *Chairman* | Vancouver | 1 | 20 |
| 1871 | Hall, Thos. W., *Fin. Sec.* | Chilliwack | 1 | 34 |
| 1866 | Hall, Joseph, *Chairman* | Sardis | 5 | .. |
| 1891 | Hall, W. Lashley | Hammond | 1 | 26 |
| 1889 | Hicks, John P., *Fin. Sec.* | Victoria | 3 | . |
| 1891 | Hicks, William | Cumberland | 5 | 14 |
| 1893 | Hicks, James | Wellington | 1 | 13 |
| 1886 | Irwin, Robert J | Burgoyne Bay | 1 | 9 |
| 1883 | Jennings, Dennis | Port Essington | 11 | 67 |
| .. | Kinney, G. B., B.A. | Golden | 1 | 42 |
| 1891 | Knox, John David P | Victoria | 3 | 3 |
| 1861 | Ladner, Charles, *Chairman* | Kamloops | 3 | 36 |
| 1875 | Laidley, Robert B | Ashcroft | 3 | 48 |
| 1899 | Large, Richard W., M.D. | Bella Bella | 3 | 73 |
| 1899 | Mahon, William Gibson | Cranbrook | 1 | 61 |
| 1891 | Manuel, Elihu | Ladner | 2 | 31 |
| 1885 | Miller, Arthur Noble, *Fin. Sec.* | Eburne | 3 | 22 |
| 1887 | Misener, William Dustan | Salmon Arm | 1 | 39 |
| 1889 | Morden, George Herbert | Rossland | 3 | 50 |
| 1898 | Nelson, Charles Wesley | Chemainus | 1 | 8 |
| 1891 | Neville, Thomas | Nicola | 3 | 38 |
| 1886 | Osborne, G. Howard | Duncan's | 2 | 7 |
| 1891 | Osterhout, S. Stanley, Ph.D., *Fin. Sec.* | Port Simpson | 3 | 64 |
| 1852 | Pearson, Thomas Davies, Sup'd. | New Westminster | 10 | 28 |
| 1883 | Pierce, William Henry | Kishpyax | 6 | 70 |

| Ministry began. | | | Years on Cir. | Cir. No. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1890 | Powell, Robert Newton | Enderby | 2 | 43 |
| .. | Pye, John | Trail | 1 | 51 |
| 1883 | Raley, George Henry | Kitamaat | 8 | 76 |
| .. | Roberts, Arthur E. | New Denver | 2 | 57 |
| 1856 | Robson, Ebenezer, Sup'd | New Westminster | 1 | 28 |
| 1887 | Robson, John, B.A. | Vancouver | 1 | 18 |
| 1864 | Rosoman, Joseph E., Sup'y | Mara | 7 | 43 |
| 1885 | Rowe, Elliott S. | Victoria | 1 | 1 |
| 1893 | Sanford, Albert M., B.A. | Sandon | 4 | 56 |
| . | Schlichter, William C. | Van Anda | 1 | 26 |
| 1878 | Scott, Edmund E. | Vancouver | 2 | 17 |
| 1899 | Scott, David William | New Westminster (College) | 1 | .. |
| 1892 | Sharpe, Allan Kennedy | Langley | 1 | 32 |
| 1890 | Sipprell, Wilford J., B.A., B.D., *Principal C. M. College* | New Westminster | 4 | 28 |
| 1895 | Smith, George E., S.T.L. | No Station | 1 | .. |
| 1889 | Spencer, John Clark, M.D. | Bella Coola | 2 | 78 |
| .. | Stillman, R. Forbes | Fernie | 2 | 62 |
| 1891 | Stone, William John | Cla-oose | 7 | 85 |
| .. | Stony, Aykroyd | Agassiz | 2 | 25 |
| 1890 | Sutherland, Charles H. M. | Vancouver | 1 | 19 |
| 1897 | Tanner, William Gordon | Winnipeg (College) | 4 | .. |
| 1875 | Tate, Charles Montgomery | Duncan's | 2 | 82 |
| 1884 | Thompson, Samuel James, *Fin. Sec* | Revelstoke | 3 | 40 |
| 1870 | Turner, James, Sup'd | Ireland | 1 | 18 |
| .. | Westman, James P. | Vernon | 1 | 44 |
| 1876 | White, James Henry, *Fin. Sec.* | Nelson | 1 | 52 |
| 1882 | Whittington, Robt., M.A., B.Sc., *Pres. of Conf., Sup't of Indian and Chinese Work* | Vancouver | 1 | .. |
| 1893 | Wilkinson, Robert | Mission City | 3 | 24 |
| 1884 | Winslow, Joseph Wesley | Sidney | 3 | 6 |
| 1879 | Wood, James Alex., *Chairman* | Kaslo | 3 | 54 |
| 1888 | Wright, Thomas Hall | Michel | 1 | 63 |
| 1892 | Wright, John H. | Lillooet | 1 | 49 |
| | Medical Missionaries who are not in the regular work : | | | |
| .. | Bolton, Albert E., M.D. | Port Simpson | .. | 64 |
| .. | Rush, William T., M.D. | Naas River | 3 | 65 |
| .. | Service, Charles W., M.A., M.D. | Claoquaht | 2 | 86 |
| .. | Wrinch, H. W., M.D. | Upper Skeena | 1 | 70 |
| | Native Indian Missionaries regularly received as such : | | | |
| .. | Edgar, George | China Hat | .. | 75 |
| 1900 | Russ, Patrick | Port Simpson (School) | 1 | .. |

# APPENDIX.

## PASTORAL ADDRESS.

BELOVED BRETHREN,—Our first word to you must be one of thankfulness and praise. God has bestowed His goodness upon us during the past year, and to Him be glory and dominion.

We are not insensible, beloved, to the responsibility placed upon us in our "high calling," to be pastors of the flock of Christ, and we would "watch for your souls as those who must give account." There are a few things, therefore, concerning which we would put you in remembrance:

1. First of all, we would utter an earnest word concerning *personal religion.* Remember, we are *Christians*, we are "called to be *Saints.*" We are not mere professors of religion, we are religious people; we are not mere theorizers, we claim a subjective experience; we have not simply been enrolled as Church members, we have "passed from death unto life"; we ask no man in the first instance to *join a church*, but "we pray you in Christ's name, be ye reconciled to God." We would have you lay a firm hold upon the truth that it is your great privilege to have communion with God. This is your portion, which is "greater gain than fine gold" and "more precious than rubies." Consider well these things, and beware "of the adversaries." Never were the perils to personal religion more insidious, nor more real. (*a*) One of the most obvious of these lies in "the relentless pressure, the sick hurry" of our modern life. "We are over-wrought and over-driven." We have no time to live in the still atmosphere and refresh our weary lives with sacred leisure. We must, therefore, learn to "practise the presence of God" in "the daily round and the common task." (*b*) Another of these dangers is found in the habitual looseness and vagueness concerning Christian truth. "In the interests of that very warmth and fervor, which have always been so characteristic of the life of our church, we cannot too earnestly warn you against that fluent depreciation of the systematic presentation of Christian truth in which a thoughtless, religious public is to-day so apt to indulge." It is well to be reminded further that our religion must produce righteousness. "Christianity, in the long run, is simply a method of goodness; God's way of making men good." "So is the will of God, that with well-doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men." The fruits of our faith must appear in a rich morality and a noble ethical thoroughness. We must maintain "the ancient truisms, that principle is more than taste, that character is more than culture, that without holiness it is impossible to please God."

2. Next in importance to personal religion is the matter of *church attachment.* Value your membership among the Church of God as one of your greatest privileges. "Communion is the law of life," and Christian fellowship is the very essence of New Testament teaching. It involves not only the sharing of one another's joys, but, happily, the bearing of one another's burdens also. Methodism has always sought to emphasize the value of this glorious principle, and by her connexionalism has carried it beyond the circle of a local society or single congregation, to embrace the membership of the whole Church, and has thereby been made strong to do good.

Of the application of these principles, brethren, we need scarcely remind you. What your religious life needs your church life is intended to supply. You may find spiritual edification and strength in the ministry of the Word, and in your gatherings for prayer and praise; while, if you are wise to use it, your burdens may be lightened, your doubts may be removed, your brotherly love may be deepened, and your godly zeal chastened and yet inflamed by the spiritual intercourse made possible in the love-feast and society class.

Nor is this all. The application of the principles referred to point also in the direction of obligation and duty. As a Christian—as a member of Christ's Church—the enterprises of the Church are your enterprises. Your discipleship will often mean even sacrifice; yet, be assured, "His commandments are not grievous." On the contrary, the very secret of your joy lies in your readiness to do and suffer. It is therefore your wisdom and your privilege, as it is your duty, to earnestly support and promote our general church work. Let our Sunday Schools and Epworth Leagues, therefore, of which the Conferences this year have most gratifying reports, continue to receive your hearty encouragement. And especially do we counsel you to attest your loyality to our Lord by all possible liberality in sending His Gospel to the heathen and to others whose Christian privileges are inferior to your own. No one is converted to God who has no concern for the conversion of others. May "the love of Christ constrain you."

Permit us, brethren, one further word, and that a special one: We are solemnly impressed with the fact that we have met in Annual Conference session for the last time in this great century. It is a time of retrospection and of introspection. It will, doubtless, produce humiliation and gratitude, but may the most characteristic effect upon us be a more thorough consecration and a more courageous service. It is a joy to us that the Twentieth Century Thanksgiving Fund has met with such general favor and magnificent success, and we are confident your zeal will know no diminution until the full amount of $1,000,000 is in the Lord's treasury. Of still vaster importance is the Twentieth Century Revival Movement, which also was provided for by our last General Conference session. This movement contemplates extraordinary evangelistic efforts during the present year throughout the whole Church, and our faith should look for an ingathering of tens of thousands—of hundreds of thousands—of redeemed ones. It should be the most glorious year of all Christian history, and may every member amongst us be eager to contribute towards such a result.

And now, brethren, "pray for us, that we may open our mouth boldly to make known the mysteries of the Gospel." And may "the Lord of peace Himself give you peace always, by all means. The Lord be with you all."

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## TEMPERANCE REPORT.

1. We rejoice to be able to express our hearty appreciation of all the efforts that have been put forth in behalf of the temperance cause, and for the measure of success attending these efforts.

2. We heartily congratulate Prince Edward Island and Manitoba on the advanced step taken by their respective Governments with regard to the prohibition of the liquor traffic.

3. We endorse and strongly commend the actions taken by the Public School Board of Winnipeg and the Ontario W.C.T.U. in an effort to secure from the Federal Government such legislation as will prevent the sale or giving of tobacco, cigars and cigarettes to persons under sixteen years of age. At the same time we would earnestly urge upon all parents, guardians, Sunday School and public school teachers to faithfully point out to the children the baneful influence of such pernicious indulgence.

4. We respectfully call the attention of the Dominion Parliament to the case of Corporal Courtney who, it is alleged, was recently reduced to the ranks for refusing, because of conscientious reasons, to parade his men to drink the Queen's health in beer, and we would further state that in our judgment such orders as Corporal Courtney refused to obey are not in harmony with the views concerning the evil character of intoxicants held, acted upon, and commended by such illustrious soldiers of the British army as Lords Wolseley, Roberts, Kitchener and others, and we urge prompt and proper redress of the grievous wrong done to Corporal Courtney.

5. We again express our deep regret at the failure of the Dominion Government to carry out the will of the people, as expressed at the polls, or to take any legislative step toward even partial prohibition.

6. We cordially endorse the resolution presented to the House of Commons by Mr. T. B. Flint, viz.: That this House is now of the opinion that it is desirable and expedient that Parliament should without delay enact such measures as will secure the prohibition of the liquor traffic for beverage purposes in at least those provinces and territories which have voted in favor of such prohibition.

7. That in case the Dominion Parliament refuses to do this we hope the legislature of each province in the Dominion will follow the example of the Prince Edward Island and Manitoba Legislatures and enact prohibitory legislation to the fullest extent of its power.

8. We greatly deplore the fact that the military regulations *re* sale of intoxicating liquors at the volunteer camps were fragrantly violated last year, and we would respectfully urge the Minister of Militia to issue special instructions to all military encampments for the enforcement of existing regulations.

9. We urge also that the Government take steps to prohibit the sale or issuance of beer or other intoxicants in any buildings, premises or grounds used for military purposes or under military control, and particularly in the case of the barracks of the Mounted Police and military schools.

10. That in case any permanent military centre be formed in Canada, whether under the control of the Mother Country or our own, we respectfully but firmly demand that the prohibition sentiment of this country shall be respected, and that the proposed centre shall not be established except under the specific stipulation by the Government that liquor rations and sales be forbidden.

11. We call the special attention of all superintendents to section 492 of the Discipline, which calls for an annual temperance service and collection.

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## REPORT ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Bearing in mind that the Lord's Day is a Divine institution, having the support and authority of the Word of God, and knowing that its proper observance is necessary to the well-being of the individual, the protection of the home, the prosperity of the Church, and the proper security and development of the nation, the following report is submitted:

1. We greatly deplore the flagrant violation of the Sabbath by railway, steamboat and street-railway companies by means of excursions and unnecessary freight and passenger traffic, thus increasing the facilities for desecration of the day on the part of those who disregard its claims, and influencing those who are not strongly established in the faith to drift away from the old paths.

2. We regret exceedingly the fact that so far as corporations are concerned our laws do not more fully prohibit labor on the Lord's Day. Whilst we recognize works of necessity, we most emphatically protest against the way in which some corporations almost completely ignore this sacred institution, thus setting aside the claims of God, and robbing the laborer of his legitimate rest, as provided by a beneficent Creator.

We are sorry to learn that in some localities the Sunday running of cheese and butter factories is becoming more general, and we would strongly urge our people to withdraw their patronage from any factory which persists in this work of desecration.

We understand further, that in some of our towns and cities, stores, barber, and other shops, and dental parlors are kept open on His day, and that ice cream, soda water, candies, cigars and cigarettes are freely sold. We trust that strong efforts will be made to cause these abuses to cease.

We deplore the fact that, in some instances, the volunteers assembled in camp have been disbanded at a time necessitating travelling on the Lord's Day, and so many of our young men were obliged to act in direct opposition to their convictions in regard to this important matter. We would, therefore, request the Minister of Militia to arrange the future closing of the camps at a more suitable time. We recognize with serious apprehension the disposition of some members of parliament, and even of our

Judiciary, to deal in a very liberal spirit with the enemies of the sanctity of God's day. The decision recently rendered that only those who are specifically designated in the Lord's Day Act, or those in similar employment, can be prohibited from working on that day, opens a very wide door for the Sabbath-breaking portion of the community, and we would ask our Conferences to memorialize the Government so to amend the Act as that it may include all classes of work and all corporations employing labor. We would earnestly recommend that our ministers and people improve every opportunity to discourage social visiting, travelling on boats, trains, bicycles and street-cars, society parades with playing of bands, the buying or selling of Sunday newspapers, and the holding of funeral services (unless positively unavoidable) on the Sabbath. We are glad to note the faithful work being done by the Lord's Day Alliance in keeping before the public mind the importance of this day, and for the brave stand it has taken in contending for its better observance. In this connection we desire to express our satisfaction at the excellent service being rendered by the efficient secretary, the Rev. J. G. Shearer, B.A., and we would recommend that a deeper interest be taken in the work of the Alliance, that branch societies be formed wherever practicable, and that the Alliance be assisted by the hearty co-operation of God's people in the accomplishment of its grand mission.

We are pleased at the action of our Government in closing the Canadian Exhibit at the Paris Exposition on the Sabbath, and at the refusal of Canadians to take part on that day in out-door sports.

We would recommend the early closing of shops and stores on Saturday nights, so that all concerned may not infringe upon the sanctity of His day, and may have time to prepare for its proper observance.

We desire to express our hearty concurrence with the resolution of the Welland District, petitioning the Honorable Minister of Railways and Canals, and setting forth that it is exceedingly desirable for the moral and religious well-being of the employees, who by present regulations are hindered in their attendance upon public worship, and as well in the interests of religion and public morality throughout the entire community, that the Welland Canal remain closed for the entire twenty-four hours on the Lord's Day, and we would strongly recommend that this regulation as proposed apply to all canals in Canada.

And further, we would especially suggest that the attention of parents be called to the necessity for making the Lord's Day a day of sacred delight, the brightest and best day of the week in the home, being assured that in the home, more particularly, the most effective results can be secured upon the impressionable heart of the child, thus training a generation whose delight shall be in the law of the Lord with regard to the sacredness of His own day.

We would recommend that our ministers preach upon this subject at least once each year, and that it be given a prominent place in our Sunday schools and Epworth Leagues, and let us pray earnestly that the time may soon come in this beloved Dominion of ours, when in every sphere of activity, and in all the relations of life we shall rest as unto Him, and with a free glad heart shall "remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy."

## EPWORTH LEAGUE REPORT.

The reports presented to the different conferences by the Epworth League Committees showed this important branch of the Church to be in a healthy condition, although no decided increase in membership was reported. The Montreal Conference had an increase of 9 societies, and 528 members. The Manitoba and North-West Conference showed an increase of 31 societies, and 664 members, but there were decreases in other conferences which balanced these advances, so that the membership will be about the same as last year. The working power and general efficiency of the Leagues are, however, undoubtedly greater than ever before. The increases in missionary givings from the Young People's Societies were very marked during the past year, Manitoba Conference reporting an increase of $171; Hamilton, $668; London, $578; and Bay of Quinte, $868.

The following are among the recommendations:—

1. The *Canadian Epworth Era* was commended, and the Leagues were urged to make special efforts to increase the circulation.

2. The Reading Course was praised, and the hope expressed that everything possible might be done to extend its usefulness.

3. The Forward Movement for Missions was specially referred to in all the reports, and great satisfaction expressed that so much attention had been given to this important department. The young people were urged to renewed zeal and aggressiveness in this fruitful field of toil. The Toronto Conference recommended that a collection be taken up in all the Leagues, to be used for campaign purposes.

4. The observance of "The Quiet Hour" was recommended by the London Conference. Too much importance cannot be attached to the development of the inner spiritual life of our young people.

5. The neglect of many Leagues and other Young People's Societies to take up the annual collection for the General Epworth Leagues' Fund was commented on. Greater attention to this important connexional fund was urged.

6. All our young people were earnestly exhorted to help in making the evangelistic movement to which the Church is committed a great success by joining heartily in aggressive work.

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## SABBATH SCHOOL REPORT.

Among the gratifying features of Sabbath School work for the past year mentioned in the reports, are the following: Increase in number of scholars joining the Church and learning the catechism, increase in missionary givings, greater loyalty to our own periodicals.

In a few cases decrease of membership was reported, and the bicycle received some blame.

The following was recommended:

1. That superintendents use every means to secure as teachers those who are members of our church.

2. That more faithful attention be paid to the requirements of the Discipline in reference to holding Annual District Sabbath School Conventions.

3. That the total abstinence pledge be more generally circulated and signed.

4. That more attention be paid to providing and controlling legitimate amusements for the young men of our schools.

5. That ministers and probationers use every opportunity to open up new schools wherever practicable.

6. That trustees be urged to provide more suitable accommodation for carrying on Sunday School work.

7. That our ministers be requested to disapprove of holding or allowing services at an hour when they interfere with the Sunday School session.

8. That our ministers give more attention to preaching to the children.

9. The Home Department was specially commended, and its adoption urged upon all the schools.

10. Decision Day received endorsation. It was strongly recommended that a special day be set apart for the ingathering of our scholars, and that earnest and prayerful efforts be made to lead them to decide for Christ.

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## REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL COMMITTEES OF THE CONFERENCES.

### *Re* Prisoners' Aid Association.

We rejoice in the special effort made by this association to adopt the parole and probation system in dealing with first offences and the more hopeful cases of drunkenness. We trust that the bill proposed by them, at the Government's request, providing for the introduction of this system, may soon become law.

### *Re* Religious Instruction in Public Schools.

That we approve of the daily reading of the Scriptures in the public schools of Ontario as at present authorized. And we would urge upon our people that, as far as they can do so, they bring to bear their influence for the general adoption of the practice, and that our ministers be urged to pay special attention to visiting the schools and giving religious instruction as now provided for.

We would also recommend that the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments be memorized by the pupils.

### *Re* Corrupt Practices in Canadian Elections.

We rejoice that measures have been taken, which, we hope, will result in the fullest investigation of alleged corrupt methods in recent Canadian elections.

### *Re* Lotteries.

We heartily approve of the bill before the Dominion Parliament aiming at the suppression of lotteries under the guise of Art Unions, and would strongly protest against the proposed extension of time before the measure shall come into operation.

## *Re* Intercolonial Railway Passes—Action of Montreal Conference.

That whereas, according to an official statement made in the House of Commons of Canada by the Hon. Andrew George Blair, Minister of Railways and Canals, in reply to an enquiry of George Taylor, Esq., member of the South Riding of Leeds, Ont., it appears that free passes are given on the Intercolonial Railway as follows: Eight (8) to Roman Catholic bishops; seven (7) to bishops of the Church of England; one (1) to the General Superintendent of the Methodist Church; one (1) to the President of the Methodist Conference of New Brunswick, and one (1) to the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church; and

Whereas, in the case of these eighteen (18) passes, the following are bestowed upon clergymen who have no jurisdiction on the line of this railroad, viz.: One to the Archbishop of Ontario, one to the Bishop of Ottawa, one to the Bishop of Niagara, and one to the Right Rev. C. Leary, *Retired*; and

Whereas, these favors are bestowed quite out of proportion to the relative numerical strength of the different denominations concerned; and

Whereas, on behalf of the chairman of the Methodist District of Quebec, whose jurisdiction covers a large area through which the Intercolonial Railway runs, request has recently been made that if such favors be granted he should rightly participate in them, which request has been refused by the Hon. Andrew George Blair, Minister of Railways and Canals; and

Whereas, in this discrimination there is a manifest fictitious importance attaching to the Episcopal title and office, such as is not warranted by law or equity, and is contrary to the principle of equality of all religious bodies in Canada in the eyes of the law; and

Whereas, the functions of a chairman of a Methodist District, or a moderator of a Presbyterian Presbytery, or of a chairman of a Baptist or Congregational Union, are parallel ecclesiastically to those of a bishop of the prelatical churches, so far as official duties are concerned, and no distinction should be tolerated in such matters in favor of certain ecclesiastical officers, such as is manifestly illustrated in the facts above cited; it is therefore

*Resolved*, that in our opinion either the granting of such passes should be altogether abandoned or that passes should be impartially given to the chief officers of all religious denominations having jurisdiction on the line of the Intercolonial Railway, and requiring to travel on the same in the discharge of their duties, irrespective of the ecclesiastical title by which they are designated; that the Special Committee of this Conference is hereby instructed to energetically press this proposal until justice is done in the premises.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES ON THE TWENTIETH CENTURY EVANGELISTIC MOVEMENT.

1. The Committees recommend that this Twentieth Century Evangelistic Campaign be given the most sympathetic and prayerful consideration by all our ministers and churches; that it be regarded as of supreme importance in the work of the year, and that our people abstain from all such entertainments as would divert attention from the great object in view.

2. That evangelistic conventions or services be held in connection with the Financial District meetings, and that on these occasions the question of revival efforts, on each and every circuit, be considered, and such arrangements made for help and co-operation as may be deemed necessary to success.

3. That Sabbath, October 14th, 1900, be specially set apart for this work and known as the Twentieth Century Revival Sabbath, revival sermons to be preached or platform meetings held in all our congregations; pastors and people uniting in earnest prayer and faithful efforts for the deepening of spiritual life in the Church, and on behalf of the unsaved.

4. That the Friday preceding the Twentieth Century Revival Sabbath be observed as a day of solemn fasting and prayer, to be faithfully observed by all our people, followed by public religious services in the evening; that in the spirit of confession, consecration and faith the entire Church may enter upon this great movement.

5. That on the last night of the year 1900 watchnight services be held on every circuit, and, as far as possible, in every church, and that special efforts be put forth to make them seasons of blessing, so that the dawning of the new century may find our people rejoicing in the great things which the Lord hath done for us, and ready to go up "to the help of the Lord against the mighty."

6. That on the first Sabbath of the year 1901 the morning service be set apart as a love-feast and sacramental occasion, and that, where there are several appointments, the people unite at some central place for this purpose.

7. That the second Sabbath in January be made a Sabbath School day, the third Sabbath an Epworth League day, and the fourth Sabbath a universal thanksgiving and consecration day, thus rallying these important departments of our work, and then all uniting in a day of praise and thanksgiving unto the Lord.

8. That there be a general use, under wise adaptation, of the means and methods by which Methodism has achieved her former triumphs; that there be the diligent study of the Word of God, and that the awful fact of sin, and the great doctrines of repentance, justification, regeneration and entire sanctification be set forth with all possible clearness and energy; that humble dependence upon the presence and power of the Holy Spirit be earnestly enjoined, and that the cry of the Church everywhere be, "O Lord! revive thy work in the midst of the years; in the midst of years make known; in wrath remember mercy."

## THE STATE OF THE WORK.

In reading over the reports from the various conferences on the state of the work, it is gratifying to find the general tone hopeful and the facts noted giving substantial evidence of general progress. Most of the conferences report increase in membership, all, so far as reported, considerable increase in the financial returns. Sunday Schools and Epworth Leagues send encouraging reports and special mention is made of the increased interest taken by our young people in the missionary work of the Church. The results of the Twentieth Century Movement, so far as reported, are gratifying, and give evidence of life, loyalty and liberality and the promise of increased strength and efficiency.

Side by side with these hopeful signs of our times there are noted in most of the reports other features not so hopeful. There appears to be great danger from increased worldliness, luxurious living and questionable pleasure-seeking ; and accompanying these evils mention is made of others, such as laxity in observing the Sabbath day to keep it holy, neglect of the means of grace, especially the sacrament, the class-meetings and prayer-meetings.

Against these evil tendencies, which would appear to be sufficiently prevalent to call for serious reflection, if not to cause positive alarm, it is earnestly urged that our people faithfully observe the spirit and letter of our general rules.

Two of the reports call attention to the lack of reverence manifested in our congregations. One speaks of the unseemly habit of sitting up and gazing around at the time of prayer, another animadverts in strong terms upon the conduct of some who occupy places in our choirs. It is said that some manifest "shameful indifference, if not positive scorn, for religious things." It is urged that more careful attention be given to the character of those who are permitted to lead our congregations in their service of praise.

Some of the reports note the lack of doctrinal teaching in our Sunday Schools, and urge that efforts be made to extend the use of the catechism in the schools, and also, that more attention be given to doctrinal teaching in our pulpits.

The state of the work generally seems to point to the great need of a revival. It is hoped that the Twentieth Century Evangelistic Movement will result in a general quickening of the spiritual life of the Church.

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## REPORT OF WESLEYAN THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE, MONTREAL.

*To the Annual Conferences of the Methodist Church :*

The following report is respectfully submitted by the undersigned.

The past year has been characterized by a deep spiritual life on the part of our students, and by perfect harmony in the internal affairs of the College.

The number of students enrolled during the session is as follows : Postgraduates in Divinity, 1 ; Undergraduates in Divinity, 15 ; Undergraduates in Arts, 3 ; Students in the S. T. L. Course, 12 ; Students in the Conference Course, 11. Total enrolled, 42.

Rev. W. I. Shaw, D.D., LL.D., lectures in Systematic Theology, Greek Testament and Church Polity; Rev. J. C. Antliff, M.A. (Edin.), D.D., in Apologetics and Homiletics; Rev. Prof. Harris, M.A., B.D., Bursar, in Church History and English; and Rev. W. S. Lennon, B.A., B.D., lectures as tutor in Elementary Greek and in Latin.

In the department of Old Testament Exegesis, our students have taken lectures from Rev. Prof. Creelman, Ph.D., of the Congregational College; and the students of Church History and Comparative Religion of that College have taken lectures under our Prof. Harris. This arrangement has been most satisfactory.

The College is prepared to afford students facilities for meeting the Conference requirements in the course for probationers, or for pursuing the three years' course leading to licentiate's standing, or the higher course in Divinity leading to the degree of B.D. Copies of the Calendar containing full information as to curricula, etc., may be obtained from the Registrar.

It is with regret that we report the resignation in the early part of the session of the Rev. Dr. Shaw as principal, and his retirement from that office on the rise of Convocation on May 2nd last. Dr. Shaw, however, continues to hold his professoriate and the title of *Principal Emeritus*; the College is not, therefore, deprived of his eminent educational abilities. Dr. Shaw's place has been filled by the appointment on April 30th last of the Rev. J. T. L. Maggs, B.A. (London), B.D. (St. Andrews), to the principalship. We look forward to a successful future under the principalship of Mr. Maggs.

The Endowment Fund of the College has been greatly enriched this year by the payment to the treasurer of the magnificent bequest of the late Hart A. Massey, Esq., of Toronto, of $50,000. This will relieve to some extent the financial pressure which has been felt for some time. The effort of Rev. Prof. Harris, M.A., Bursar, to further increase the Endowment Fund has met with success during the year, while the College is still being conducted with the most rigid economy consistent with the thoroughness and efficiency of its educational work.

J. C. ANTLIFF, *Acting-Principal.*
Montreal, May 17th, 1900. W. S. LENNON, *Registrar.*

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## ANNUAL REPORT OF ALMA COLLEGE.

The Board of Management of Alma College beg leave to present to the Conference the nineteenth annual report.

They rejoice that the scholastic year just closing has given conclusive proof of the possibilities of the College to do a great and necessary work for church and country.

The enrolment during the year has been 122.

The departments taught are:

1. Collegiate, which covers Collegiate Institute classes and Senior Matriculation, with special studies in Bible work.
2. Music, full Conservatory system.

3. Fine Art, full Provincial Art Schools' courses with History and Criticism of Art.

4. Commercial, full Business College course.

5. Elocution and Physical Culture.

6. Domestic Science, the individual method.

The number of teachers and instructors is twenty-two, including five honor university graduates, besides certificated specialists of high standing and experience.

The class of candidate graduates numbers eighteen, representing all the departments of study.

In reviewing the year there are special causes for congratulation.

1. The earnest religious life of the College, as manifest in students making a Christian profession of faith.

2. The steady increase in the enrolment of resident students.

3. The decrease in the College debt.

4. The display of college loyalty among the students in voluntarily raising a fund of $200.00 to enlarge the College library.

5. The loyalty and devotion of the Faculty of Instruction and Government.

6. The multiplying evidence that our people will support the College when they clearly comprehend the principles for which it stands.

Certain facts have greatly impressed the Board:

1. The steadily increasing demand for education in residential schools proving that the provincial system does not meet, nor indeed can meet fully, the educational demands of the present age.

2. The large number of girls from Protestant homes found in the convents of the Roman Catholic Church, instead of being educated, as they should be, in Protestant residential institutions.

3. The failure of our church to make proper provision for the education of our missionaries' daughters at a time when the rapid settlement of the new territories of this great Dominion demands unhesitating devotion to pioneer work.

4. The fact that in proportion to the Methodist population, as a church we are not doing our proportionate share of voluntary educational work compared with other Protestant churches.

The Board would distinctly urge that, next to the education of our ministry, no more vital matter can concern the Church than the intellectual and moral training of the daughters of the Methodist families, who will determine the character of the homes of the future.

The responsibility for this education must fall increasingly upon the residential schools and no church in Canada has so large interests involved as our own, no other church in Canada has so many of its families attaining the ability to secure the benefits of higher education.

From these considerations the Board believe that the time for an advance step has come, and consequently they are proceeding to furnish the College with appliances hitherto wanting, but needful for completeness in an educational institution of this character, and which will make Alma first in equipment, convenience and comfort.

The Board, as your brethren and as servants of the General Conference, charged with the weighty responsibilities, ask the hearty co-operation of both ministers and laymen in their efforts to increase the efficiency and prosperity of the College.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN BAIRD, *Chairman of Executive.*
R. I. WARNER, *Principal.*

St. Thomas, Ont.,
May 30th, 1900.

## ALBERT COLLEGE, BELLEVILLE.

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN,—We are able to report a year of great prosperity at Albert College—in fact the college year 1899-1900 has been in all respects the most prosperous this institution has ever known. The attendance has been larger by 25 per cent. than the average enrolment, reaching the splendid total of 258 students; males, 130; females, 128; and of this number 134 have been boarders. There has been a steady increase in the attendance during the past few years, until it is now just double what it was some fifteen years ago. Not only has the attendance increased, but the methods and facilities have vastly improved, and to-day all the work done at this institution is of a most satisfactory and thorough character.

The senior class, Form IV., numbered sixteen (Senior Leaving six, and Senior Matriculation, ten), while over fifty students were enrolled in Form III. (Junior Leaving and Junior Matriculation). It will at once be seen that these numbers place the College among the best collegiate institutions of the Province. The record of successful candidates in both departmental and university examinations has been of a really phenomenal character, and to-day the efficiency and thoroughness of the work done is everywhere admitted.

Every department is in charge of a specialist, who is either a medalist or a first-class honor graduate of Toronto or Victoria University.

The number of candidates in preparation for the ministry has been larger than in former years. These young men, who are always active in the Missionary Society and the Y.M.C.A. of the College, have done much to give a high moral tone to all the college work. During the coming year the study of missionary literature and especially the missionary history of our own church will be systematically pursued.

The increase of attendance has been particularly marked in the departments of Music and Commercial Science. In the former department, there are now five teachers devoting their time to that work. A soprano soloist has been added to the staff, and full diploma courses are provided in Piano, Organ, Vocal and Violin.

To ensure the highest efficiency, the examinations in music are conducted by the Toronto Conservatory of Music, and all successful students receive both the certificate of the Conservatory and the diploma of the College.

Two specialists are employed in the Commercial Department. One is a specialist in Bookkeeping, who is also an expert penman, the other is a specialist in Stenography and Typewriting, and both are experienced and successful teachers. The subjects of Arithmetic and Grammar are

taught by the regular teachers of the literary department, so that the graduates in Commercial Science are thoroughly fitted to fill responsible positions.

The departments of Elocution and Fine Arts have been conducted by teachers who have had charge of these departments for years, and whose reputation for high-grade work is widely known.

There has been a marked increase in the number of young ladies in attendance, and so that they may be given every advantage, special lectures in Domestic Science and First Aid to the Injured will be given during the coming year.

The College buildings are heated throughout with steam, and the class-rooms are among the best in the Province. The Gymnasium is not only greatly appreciated, but has contributed much toward the good health of the students. Except a few cases of la grippe of a mild form, both teachers and students have enjoyed perfect health.

We recognise the fact that most of this gratifying success is attributable to the interest taken in the College by both ministers and laymen of the Methodist Church, and especially by former students and graduates of the College.

It shall be the constant aim of those in charge to so direct the work of the institution that it may ever merit the fullest confidence and the liberal support of its friends and the public in general.

W. P. Dyer, *Principal.*

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## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ONTARIO LADIES' COLLEGE, WHITBY.

We take pleasure in presenting to the Conferences our twenty-sixth annual report. From the very commencement of the College in 1874, it has been our good fortune to present each year a gratifying and hopeful report; but the present collegiate year has so far outstripped all preceding years in attendance, income and educational results, that it gives us special pleasure to refer to these encouraging evidences of the ever-widening influence of the College. When the elegant and capacious Francis Hall was erected five years ago, it was thought by some that we had built too extensively, and that those beautiful halls would never be filled; but this year every pessimistic fear has been dissipated, and we have been able to announce to our friends that every room was taken.

When we state that at the time of the Easter vacation there were in actual residence in the College buildings one hundred and seventy-two persons, embracing one hundred and thirty-five resident students, and thirty-seven resident teachers and employees, you will readily understand that a large college home is required to provide comfortable accommodation for such a household. It may also be stated that we have had to provide accommodation for thirty-five pianos and a large pipe organ. Instead of imagining that we have built too extensively, we have at present under contemplation the erection of a new building to be the headquarters of the social, and, we trust, the religious life of the College. A truly live college is always a growing college. In fact, the greater its

attainments the greater its desire and capability to reach out after still higher things, and our college is no exception to the rule. One of the characteristics of the American nation is the liberality of private individuals to institutions of higher learning that command their confidence. In some years the sum total of these donations, that have been reported, has amounted to about $10,000,000. We hope that some of our friends, in moderate as well as affluent circumstances, that wish to see at least one ladies' college in Canada capable of taking the very front rank amongst the finest institutions on this continent, will think of the Ontario Ladies' College, and of the important work that it has done and is capable of doing, when they come to place their contributions to the cause of higher education.

We cannot speak too highly of our pleasant and healthful surroundings, our beautiful and comfortable buildings, and our present magnificent equipment for solid and efficient work in literature, music, art, elocution, commercial and domestic science. A year or two spent in the bracing literary atmosphere of such a college as ours is an education in itself, apart altogether from the instructions received.

We shall not prolong this report, except to mention some new features in our educational work. For some time our musical course has been the same as that of the Toronto Conservatory of Music. Our students have used the same syllabus, and have prepared for the same grade of examination. This will be continued with this new feature, that any student desirous of taking the regular Conservatory examinations for the first two years, viz., primary and intermediate, will have the opportunity of doing so in our college buildings, and for the final year a student will have the privilege either of taking our final examinations in theory and execution, and thereby securing our college diploma, or she may take the Toronto Conservatory examination in theory in our college buildings, and go to Toronto for examination in execution, thereby securing a Conservatory diploma in which our college will be duly recognized, and at the same time compete for all honors and medals awarded by the Conservatory on precisely the same terms as the regular students of the Conservatory.

Our Art Department is being strengthened by the establishment of a Summer School of Art, during the month of July, under the able direction of Prof. F. McGillivary Knowles, R.C.A. The chief feature of this class will be out-door sketching and painting.

The health record of our students from the beginning of the college has been almost phenomenal. To make sure that this record will be continued, we have engaged the services of a professional nurse of wide experience in private and hospital work, who will reside in the college and give her entire time to the care of students when ill, free of charge, and to the promotion of the health of those who are rather delicate, though not under the doctor's care.

Thanking you and all our friends for the assistance that you have rendered in placing our college in the proud and honored position that it occupies to-day amongst the leading institutions of this country, we promise to do all in our power to merit a continuance of this confidence and support. On behalf of the Board.

GEO. A. COX, *President.*
JOHN RICE, *Secretary.*

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF WESLEY COLLEGE.

The year just closed has been, in almost every respect, a most successful one for Wesley College.

It is, therefore, with feelings of gratitude and satisfaction that the Board of Directors presents to the Conference its twelfth annual report. There is reason for gratitude to God for His continued favor and His blessing upon the important work committed to our care. There is reason for satisfaction that the continued loyalty and liberality of both ministers and people, throughout the whole Conference, have been such that the Bursar is in a position again to report a small balance upon the right side; and so the College has maintained its hitherto unbroken record of "no debt" on current expense account.

Further, it is with special pleasure and satisfaction we note, as may be seen from the Bursar's report, that for the f[illegible] time in the history of this Institution, the Conference, as a whole, [illegible]ontributed a little more than was apportioned to the various ci[illegible] and missions within its bounds. This is a most encouraging and significant fact, and one which we interpret to mean that Wesley College is growing in the intelligent esteem and confidence of our people at large. And we feel that it is *worthy* of this confidence, for we doubt if any staff of teachers ever gave themselves more thoroughly, heartily and painstakingly to their students than the instructors in our own College. Indeed, as a simple matter of fact, they have all been overworked, and the time has come when something ought to be done to relieve the strain that has been already too long upon them.

We are glad to be able to say that the time seems opportune to do this. You will be pleased, we are sure, to learn that fifty thousand dollars of the late Mr. H. A. Massey's generous bequest of one hundred thousand dollars, as an endowment for Wesley College, has been paid, the interest from which will henceforth be at our disposal for the purpose to which, under the will, it is directed.

Further, the University of Manitoba has, after long consideration, taken over the teaching in the department of Natural Science, and consequently the College authorities will be to that extent relieved.

It is the intention of the Board that the moneys made available by the causes just mentioned shall be employed in strengthening the teaching staff in both Arts and Theology, a step which we deem essential in order to maintain and even increase the efficiency of the Institution in which we are all so deeply interested, and upon whose success so much depends.

It may be remarked, in passing, that steps are being taken with a view to the improvement of the College grounds.

As you will see from the report of the Faculty hereto appended, as also from previous reports, Wesley College has won for herself a most honorable position in the sisterhood of colleges that make up the University. We feel sure that you will agree with us in saying that no effort, no sacrifice, no labor and thought must be spared to keep her in the very front rank of the higher educational institutions of this great and

ever-growing land. This laudable and worthy ambition can be realized only by the generous liberality, hearty co-operation and loyal support of our ministers and people throughout the entire Conference. Upon this, past experience makes your Board of Directors feel sure that they can confidently count. (Sgd.) J. A. M. AIKINS, *Chairman.*

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## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF COLUMBIAN COLLEGE.

The Principal presented a most encouraging report of the year's work, and following the report of the Board of Directors made an appeal on behalf of the College, with the result that $2,175.00 was pledged in Conference for the work of the year.

The Board of Directors recommended, among other things, the following:

That Rev. Ebenezer Robson be appointed Bursar for the ensuing year.

That Revs. W. H. Barraclough, B.A., A. E. Green, T. Crosby, C. Ladner, and Messrs. D. S. Curtis, D. Donaldson, T. R. Pearson, S. Gough, D. Robson and G. Frank Beer be the Directors elected for three years.

That Mr. W. H. Malkin be appointed for one year, vice E. Nicholls, resigned.

That Rev. E. E. Scott replace Rev. J. C. Speer, and that Revs. A. M. Sanford, B.A., and B. H. Balderstone, B.A., be added to the Senate.

All of which was adopted.

It was moved by Rev. E. E. Scott, and seconded by Rev. C. Ladner, and *Resolved*: "That this Conference has heard, with great pleasure, the report of Columbian Methodist College, as presented by the Rev. Principal Sipprell, and rejoices in the very marked prosperity, both financial and educational, attending the work of the past year. We desire to express our appreciation of the arduous and brilliant services rendered by the Principal, as well as the fidelity of the whole staff. We beg to assure the Principal and Board of our profound interest in, and love for, this institution, and pledge ourselves to every possible effort to place the College upon the financial basis requested by the report."

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## ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE FUND.

(*For the Year ending August 31st, 1899.*)

RECEIPTS.

| | |
|---|---|
| To Balance on hand, August 31st, 1898 | $35 48 |
| " Collections from Circuits | 2,555 71 |
| " Loan from Bank of Commerce | 7,921 85 |
| | $10,513 04 |

EXPENDITURES.

| | |
|---|---|
| By General Superintendent—Salary and expenses..... | $3,000 00 |
| " Treasurer and Accountant—1½ years' salary..... | 225 00 |
| " Expenses of General Conference, 1898..... | 5,294 98 |
| " Interest, $1,168.91 ; Rent, General Superintendent's Office, $150..... | 1,318 91 |
| " Book Room account, postage and exchange..... | 110 04 |
| " Expenses, Secretary of General Conference..... | 39 22 |
| " *Committees*—General Conference Special ..... | 157 45 |
| Court of Appeal, $60.95 ; Fraternal Delegates, $2.50..... | 63 45 |
| Transfer Committee..... | 192 15 |
| " Audit, $10 ; General Conference Statistician, $50.. | 60 00 |
| " Superannuation Fund Assessment..... | 15 00 |
| " Cash on hand, August 31st, 1899..... | 36 84 |
| | $10,513 04 |

W. S. GRIFFIN, *Treasurer.*

Audited and found correct.

JAS. N. SHANNON, MARTIN N. MERRY, } *Auditors.*

Toronto, November 15th, 1899.

## SUPERANNUATION FUND.

DR. PERMANENT FUND. CR.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *July 31st, 1898.* | | *July 31st, 1899.* | |
| To amount of the Fund .. | $230,298 54 | By Bank of Commerce stock | $4,725 00 |
| *July 31st, 1899.* | | " Canada Landed and N. I. Co. stock ..... | 3,750 00 |
| To increased value in stocks ..... | 567 75 | " Mortgages ..... | 50,117 08 |
| To legacies and donations. | 3,071 73 | " Loan to Methodist Book Room ..... | 39,300 00 |
| | $233,938 02 | " Loan to Methodist Missionary Society..... | 63,750 00 |
| Less Hope Road Bond written off..... | 240 00 | " Loan to General Conference Fund ..... | 14,950 00 |
| | | " Alice Street property (Toronto) ..... | 11,026 30 |
| | | " Winnipeg property.... | 2,170 97 |
| | | " Commutation ..... | 1,473 80 |
| | | " Loans in advance of claims ..... | 1,860 64 |
| | | " Office furniture..... | 91 84 |
| | | " Cash on hand ..... | 2,906 69 |
| | | " Cash in Bank of Commerce ..... | 22,412 53 |
| | | " Due by Annual Fund.. | 15,162 27 |
| | $233,698 02 | | $233,698 02 |

DR. ANNUAL FUND. CR.

| *July 31st, 1899.* | | *July 31st, 1899.* | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| To Circuit | $44,690 95 | By balance due Permanent Fund | | $14,062 89 |
| " Ministers and probationers | 29,525 41 | " Allowances— | | |
| " Arrears—ministers and circuits | 2,086 31 | 228 ministers | $62,689 75 | |
| " Book Room appropriation | 10,500 00 | 189 widows | 28,922 95 | |
| " Missionary Society | 3,219 00 | 62 children | 1,085 00 | |
| " Donations | 115 92 | | | 92,697 70 |
| " Interest | 11,178 01 | " Annuities | | 412 50 |
| " Winnipeg property—net rents | 39 76 | " Refunds | | 1,295 34 |
| " Borrowed from Permanent Fund | 15,162 27 | " Expense of management (salaries) | | 2,200 00 |
| | | " Expense, General— (Rent, $112.00; accountant's bond, $10.00; audit, $40.00; valuator, $20.00; treasurer's travelling expenses, $25.00; Superannuation Fund Assessment, $37.50; postage, printing and stationery, $153.37; gas, 69c.; General and Advisory Boards, $27.25; cost of remittances, $30.16; exchange, $40.31 | | 496 28 |
| | | By legal expenses covering three years | | 320 63 |
| | | " Property held by the Fund— | | |
| | | Current expenses | $1,614 12 | |
| | | Improvem'nts | 533 08 | |
| | | | 2,137 20 | |
| | | Rents | 1,785 50 | |
| | | | | 351 70 |
| | | " Interest on balance due Permanent Fund | | 843 77 |
| | | " Interest on bank overdrafts | | 439 42 |
| | | " Interest on Commutation | | 100 40 |
| | | " Commutation | | 300 00 |
| | $113,517 63 | | | $113,517 63 |

Audited August 28th, 1899.

JOSIAH BARNETT, F. BYRNE, } *Auditors.*

W. S. GRIFFIN, E. GURNEY, } *Treasurers.*

## ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE METHODIST CHURCH AND PARSONAGE AID FUND.

*(For the Year ending July 31st, 1899.)*

RECEIPTS.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1898. | | |
| Aug. 1—To Balance on hand and in Bank | | $3,990 72 |
| 1899. | | |
| July 31—To Bank interest | | 78 05 |
| " Payments on account of Loans | | 3,493 69 |
| | | $7,562 46 |

EXPENDITURES.

| | |
|---|---|
| 1899. July 31—By Loans to Churches and Parsonages | $4,915 00 |
| " Salaries, Treasurer and Accountant | 125 00 |
| " Audit (including Quadrennial Statement) | 20 00 |
| " Stationery, printing and exchange | 14 45 |
| " Balance on hand and in Bank | 2,488 01 |
| | $7,562 46 |

Audited and found correct.

JAS. N. SHANNON, MARTIN N. MERRY, } *Auditors.*

Capital, $23,790.

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## REPORT OF ST. JAMES' CHURCH RELIEF FUND.

(*Fund to May 1st, 1900.*)

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash paid by Conferences to May 29th, 1900— | |
| Toronto | $5,716 58 |
| London | 2,974 72 |
| Hamilton | 8,855 79 |
| Bay of Quinte | 5,478 85 |
| Montreal | 27,000 00 |
| New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island | 1,467 12 |
| Nova Scotia | 1,095 51 |
| Newfoundland | 1,094 54 |
| Manitoba and North-West | 964 14 |
| British Columbia | 478 78 |
| | $55,125 53 |

BALANCES UNPAID.

| | |
|---|---|
| Montreal Conference | $23,000 00 |
| Toronto " | 17,700 00 |
| London " | 14,000 00 |
| Hamilton " | 11,500 00 |
| Bay of Quinte Conference | 8,650 00 |
| New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Conference | 2,275 00 |
| Nova Scotia Conference | 5,600 00 |
| Newfoundland " | 4,000 00 |
| Manitoba and North-West Conference | 7,000 00 |
| British Columbia Conference | 1,880 00 |
| Trustees of St. James' Church | 55,000 00 |
| | $150,605 00 |

The debt has been reduced from $622,000, amount of indebtedness when the Relief Movement was inaugurated, to $520,000, May 1st, 1900.

The net receipts from the Temple Building for this year will (within $800) pay the interest on $300,000.

## UNION CHURCH RELIEF FUND.

*For the year ending July 31st, 1899.*

RECEIPTS.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1898 | | |
| Aug. 1 | —To balance in Bank | $1,448 47 |
| 1899 | | |
| July 31 | —To collections | 3,665 98 |
| " | To borrowed money | 14,400 00 |
| | | $19,514 45 |
| Collections received from Aug. 1st, 1899, to May 1st, 1900 | | $200 41 |

EXPENDITURES.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1899 | | |
| July 31 | —By Exchange, postage, etc. | $12 75 |
| " | " Audit, Treasurer, Accountant | 285 00 |
| " | " Committee Meeting | 40 95 |
| " | " Borrowed money repaid | 13,769 81 |
| " | " Interest on loans | 1,225 64 |
| " | " Appropriations paid | 2,000 00 |
| " | " Interest on appropriations | 351 55 |
| " | " Balance on hand and in bank | 1,828 75 |
| | | $19,514 45 |

MEMO.

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|---|---|
| Indebtedness reported to General Conference of 1898 (including cash on hand, $1,448 49) | $32,401 93 |
| Reduction of debt during the year ending July 31st, 1899 | 2,369 81 |
| Amount of debt July 31st, 1899 | $30,032 12 |

In presenting the financial statement for the year ending July 31st, 1899, I am happy to report that we have reduced the indebtedness $2,369.81. The debt will be reduced more rapidly as the rate of interest is now reduced on all borrowed money to 4½ per cent. This reduction was effected as shown in the above statement. The amount received during the current year has been small, only $200.41, arising from the custom to make all reports of collections through the District Meetings and Conferences. I would respectfully call the attention of the ministers to the smallness of the collections, arising from the fact of having no paid agent to present the claims to the various Conferences. It is sincerely hoped the ministers will not allow the Fund to suffer because of this lack.

Respectfully submitted.

Toronto, May 28th, 1900.

JOHN N. LAKE, *Treasurer.*

# MEMBERSHIP REPORT

*As prepared by the General Conference Statistician, July 27th, 1900.*

| CONFERENCES. | 1900. | | | 1899. | Increase. | Decrease. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Members. | On Trial. | Total. | Total. | | |
| Toronto | 43265 | 1348 | 44613 | 44259 | 354 | .... |
| London | 47096 | 1345 | 48441 | 48289 | 152 | .... |
| Hamilton | 45637 | 1068 | 46705 | 46307 | 398 | .... |
| Bay of Quinte | 39185 | 879 | 40064 | 40369 | .... | 305 |
| Montreal | 34870 | 958 | 35828 | 35838 | .... | 10 |
| Nova Scotia | 15761 | 251 | 16012 | 16080 | .... | 68 |
| New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island | 13330 | 308 | 13638 | 13668 | .... | 30 |
| Newfoundland | 10340 | 1162 | 11502 | 11279 | 223 | .... |
| Manitoba and North-West | 19439 | 698 | 20137 | 18741 | 1396 | .... |
| British Columbia | 4265 | 1231 | 5496 | 5060 | 436 | .... |
| Japan | 2261 | 150 | 2411 | 2339 | 72 | .... |
| China Mission | 54 | .... | 54 | 31 | 23 | .... |
| | 275503 | 9398 | 284901 | 282260 | 3054 | 413 |
| Net | ..... | .... | ..... | ..... | 2641 | .... |

Net Increase, 1899 ..... 1,723. Net Increase, 1900 ..... 2,641.

4,364 for the first half of present Quadrennium.

**GEO. H. CORNISH,**

*General Conference Statistician.*

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